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SQUISH

Pottstown motorists plowed through a 3.4 inch fall of wet sticky snow yesterday like battleships in a heavy sea. Skidding wheels and bow waves of slush piled sloppy masses of the icy stuff along streets and highways. This head-on view shows how cars churned their way

along the roads. Mercury Photographer Eugene Orlando got this snow worm's-eye picture by lying directly in the path of a speeding car. Split seconds later, he rolled to safety as waves of slush thrown up by the wheels cascaded over him.

Snow on Roads Causes Death Of J. E. LaRose; Utilities 'Hit'

Wet snow that fell throughout the morning and until early last night resulted directly in the death of Jesse E. LaRose, 48, of 1240 Maple street, disrupted telephone service in 250 homes and brought uncalled-for blasts from the fire alarm system.

LaRose, an employee of the Department of Internal Revenue, died suddenly of a heart attack as he was on his way to work at the Kinsey Distilling company in Linfield. He had stopped his car on Route 422 near the Union chapel in Sanatoga to put on his tire chains. As he started the links to his wheels, he paused to comment on the bad weather to both Mrs. Gerald Richards and Elizabeth Clark, Pottstown school teachers, who passed him on their way to school.

Shortly afterwards, LaRose straightened from his stooping position. As he did so, he was seized with the attack and collapsed into the wet snow blanketing the highway. His collapse brought Sanatoga residents from their homes to his side. William G. Taglieber, one of the first to reach him, said LaRose opened his mouth, gasped several times for air, and then lapsed into unconsciousness.

Leona V. Smith, head of the Pottstown Visiting Nurse association, who was passing by, halted her car. After a quick inspection, she suggested LaRose be taken to the hospital. At that moment, a Good Will ambulance driven by Chief Engineer Rollin H. Klink, arrived at the scene. LaRose was rushed to the Memorial hospital where Dr. J. G. Shade pronounced him dead. Coroner Winton J. Rushong released his body to a Trappe funeral home. He is survived by his wife, Ruth (Daub), two children, Richard and Sue, at home, and three sisters: Mary Kleinigina, Silver Springs, Md.; Katherine, wife of George W. Gumpster, also of Silver Springs; and Minnie, wife of Dr. E. G. Van-Valley, New York.

Funeral services will be held from the Trappe funeral home at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Interment will be made in Trinity cemetery, Collegeville.

Fire Chief Richard E. Lindauer asked Pottstown residents to use their telephones to report fire fires, since yesterday's storm left the fire alarm wires sagging. A new V-type snow plow was received yesterday, he added, but will not be used unless yesterday's damp, but relatively small snowfall is replaced by a rip-roaring blizzard that piles the snow up several inches.

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JESSE E. LAROSE

telephones put out of service by falling wires were repaired last night. The first trouble occurred shortly before noon, and by mid-afternoon, 100 phones were put back in service by a crew of 25 men. Telephone wires were reported down on East street between Franklin and Evans streets.

There was no disruption of electric service during the day, although falling wires at Charlotte and Water streets and at Lincoln and Charlotte streets cut the current from nearby electric lights.

The damage was repaired by the Philadelphia Electric company before nightfall and the lights were on as usual.

Borough Manager Dow I. Sears said that snow removal teams would work into the night until the worst of the snow was removed from the main streets and intersections.

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AUTO CRASHES MULTIPLIED BY ICY HIGHWAYS

Perkiomenville Worker Succumbs to Injuries; Car Damages Milk Bar

Accidents on slushy or icy highways in the Pottstown area brought death yesterday to a man pinned between a car and a truck, and involved a near-record total of seven cars and four trucks.

Meanwhile the condition of Robert H. Guy Jr., 36-year-old Navy veteran and local athlete, of 1374 Queen street, remained critical early this morning as he lay in Memorial hospital with a fractured skull and leg and internal injuries sustained Monday night when his car skidded and wrapped around a tree on High street.

Jesse F. Hoffman, 48, Perkiomenville, died early yesterday morning from injuries sustained Monday night when he was struck by a skidding car on Route 63 four miles north of Green Lane as he was spreading cinders on the highway. He was on the ground, shoveling cinders from a State highway department truck, driven by Clarence L. Smoll, 38, Green Lane, that was moving slowly north on the shoulder of the road.

A northbound sedan driven by Robert E. West, 38, Green Lane RD, skidded on the muddy road as it tried to pass the truck. Hoffman was pinned between the front of the coupe and the tailgate of the truck. He was taken to Grandview hospital, Sellersville, by its ambulance, and died from his injuries — two broken legs, internal injuries and shock.

Collegeville State Police, who in-

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Woman Dies After Taking Pills in Error

Beatrice Jenkins, 28, who moved with her family from Schuylkill Haven to Collegeville RD 1 about four months ago, died at 8:20 o'clock last night in Memorial hospital of barbiturate poisoning.

Her mother, Mrs. Thomas Jenkins, said Miss Jenkins, a divorcee, with one young son, Floyd, at home, complained of "an awful headache" Monday night.

The daughter searched the medical chest for aspirin, and apparently took the barbiturate sleeping tablets when she was unable to find aspirin. Her mother said that Miss Jenkins did not take more than two or three, ordinarily not a fatal dose.

Shortly after taking them she fell in a deep sleep. When her mother discovered Miss Jenkins had taken the sleeping tablets, which the mother used regularly on a doctor's prescription, the Trappe Community ambulance was called which rushed her to the hospital.

She never regained consciousness. Dorothea Robins, Bryn Mawr, secretary of Montgomery County Coroner Winslow J. Rushong, said last night the autopsy and report must wait until today, since Rushong was ill last night, while the wife of Dr. J. C. Simpson, deputy coroner, also was ill.

Miss Jenkins, who kept house for her family, is survived by her son; her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jenkins, at home; three sisters, Elsie, wife of Alphonse Cinque, Patterson, N. J.; Esther, wife of William Smith, Schuylkill Haven; and Florence, wife of Joseph DeRaio, Mont. Clair, N. J.; and four brothers, John, at home; Arthur, Chambers, Thomas Jr., Potomac, and Floyd, with the U. S. Army in Illinois.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete last night.

ON THE MAIN DRAG

MRS. FLO FEIT — being praised for a fine job of decorating.

DR. and MRS. CAESAR SARNI — co-operating on a cleaning project.

ANN PETO — sporting a new hair-do.

IRVING FREDERICK — mangle-type writer keys.

RALPH BASILE — watching a wrestling match.

WALTER CARROLL — laughing at a friend's joke.

GEORGE STEVENS — abandoning his motor scooter after a short ride in the slush.

GEORGE STRUP — beating a neighbor to the gun on a snow shoveling job.

ALFRED KOCHER — winding up a long day behind the wheel of a bus.

MRS. ERNEST R. SCHAEFFER — telling about a DDT-swallowing incident.

Pauley Plans to Quit Army Post; Graham's Grain Profits Bared

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (AP) — Edwin W. Pauley, whose commodity speculation has been under fire, announced tonight that he expects to resign as assistant to Secretary of the Army Royall "some time this month."

"As I have stated," Pauley said in a prepared statement, "when my job is finished I plan to leave the department of the Army, not before. I expect this to be some time this month."

Earlier in the day, Senators investigating market trading of government employees calculated that Brig. Gen. Wallace H. Graham, personal physician to President Truman, more than doubled his money in a four-month flit in wheat, oats and corn the past Fall.

Through testimony and broker's records, Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) figured Graham invested \$5700. Graham acknowledged a \$6163.26 profit.

But the physician testified he has only his broker to thank for this. He said he didn't have and didn't use any inside government information. He took the broker's advice, he said, after having dropped \$11,012.86 in stocks. So he ended with a net \$4847.61 loss.

Pauley also has denied using any inside information. In tonight's statement he took occasion to defend his operations as "completely legal and ethical."

He fired back at Harpold E. Stassen, candidate for the GOP presidential nomination, who yesterday challenged Pauley's right to hold his government post after profiting nearly a million dollars in trading in commodities.

Pauley's statement said: "Someone has just called my attention to a new 'disclosure' by Mr. Harold Stassen. It appears that his 'research staff' of which he hints from time to time has finally found out that I told a Washington newspaper the past Sept. 16 that I planned to stay in the department of the Army for only 'three or four months.' The 'research staff' seems to have found out also that I say very much the same thing in a public statement Dec. 15.

Evidently Stassen has decided to make a 'new discovery.' "It is obvious he would like to claim credit for bringing about my

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THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Mostly cloudy and rather windy with snow flurries today fair and colder tonight. Fair and continued cold tomorrow.

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High Antics Low

TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

1 a.m. -34 3 p.m. -36 5 a.m. -34 7 p.m. -36 6 a.m. -34 8 p.m. -36 7 a.m. -36 9 p.m. -36 8 a.m. -36 10 p.m. -36 9 a.m. -36 11 p.m. -36 10 a.m. -36 12 p.m. -36 11 a.m. -36 12 m. -36 1 p.m. -36 2 a.m. -36 2 p.m. -36 3 a.m. -36



EDWIN W. PAULEY

2 Groups Donate \$1500 to Hospital, Board Report Shows

Donations of \$1000 from the Eagles Home association, and of \$500 from the Maria Assunta lodge, were received with thanks by the board of directors of the Memorial hospital, at their monthly meeting held at the hospital last night.

Ernest W. Hunter, president of the board, praised the organizations for their generosity, and also expressed the appreciation of the board to the workers and contributors in the recent hospital drive that netted more than \$8350 toward the building and modernization program.

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Gandhi Starts Fast, Looks to Peace in India

NEW DELHI, India, Jan. 13 (AP) —Mohandas K. Gandhi placed his life in jeopardy today by beginning a fast for communal peace in India.

He declined dinner tonight. Gandhi has taken nothing but sips of clear water from a wooden spoon since he started the fast at 11 a. m. His doctor said he customarily takes only two meals daily, breakfast and dinner.

Gandhi's doctors will begin careful checks on his condition tomorrow, while limiting the amounts of water allowed him. Ultimately salt and lime juice will be added to the water.

His followers feared the 78-year-old "father of Indian freedom" still frail from an illness the past Fall, was jeopardizing his life. He spurred a last-minute appeal from several Moslem, Hindu and Sikh delegations to postpone the fast for 15 days to give the people a chance to restore peace.

Bombay was cast into gloom as news of the fast spread. Trading was suspended in seeds, cotton, bullion and stocks. Markets in Calcutta and Madras remained closed.

The president of the Bombay provincial Moslem league declared the fast was a "challenge to every Hindu, Moslem and Sikh."

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JEW AND ARABS TRADE PUNCHES IN HOLY LAND

New Blasts Threatened If Siege of Zionists Continues in Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Jan. 13 (AP) —Arabs slashed again at a Jewish settlement in northern Galilee and Jewish dynamite squads blasted Arab sniping posts on the outskirts of Jerusalem today in unabated Holy Land warfare.

A Jewish agency spokesman hinted that if the Arabs persist in their siege of 1500 Jews in the Jewish quarter of the old city the ancient walls surrounding the city would be blown up "with plenty of innocent people killed."

New deaths today brought to 710 the unofficial death toll since the United Nations decision on Nov. 29 in favor of partitioning Palestine.

An official announcement said about 30 Arabs fired upon the Lahavot settlement in the Lake Hula district of northern Galilee in the same area where Arab raiders crossed the Syrian border for a similar assault the past week.

An official announcement said British troops from Meitallah who reached Lahavot in two light scout cars drove the Arabs off in a battle that lasted an hour and a half.

The Arabs left one dead and withdrew toward the Syrian border, the announcement added. The origin of the raiders was not given.

Four heavy and four light armored cars and a platoon of paratroopers are "standing by in the area," officials said.

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Greek Official Fears Epirus May Be Lost

ATHENS, Jan. 13 (AP) —A highly-placed Greek military informant in Ioannina declared today that all of Epirus was in danger of falling to the guerrilla forces of Markos Vafiades, who is striving to carve out a separate Communist state in northern Greece.

His statement came as Dwight P. Griswold, chief administrator for the American Mission to Aid Greece, announced the Greek government had agreed to impose bank credit controls to fight inflation and take other vigorous action "to help themselves."

A new Army offensive was launched against a force of 800 guerrillas on famed Mt. Parnassus, 75 miles northwest of Athens, with an amphibious operation from the gulf of Corinth.

Commando units moved ashore near the port of Iratini from destroyers, gunboats and coast guard vessels before dawn and occupied heights guarding passes used by the guerrillas, a military spokesman in Athens said. Troops, police and air force units began attacks farther inland.

The military informant at Ioannina, who could not be quoted by name, said Communist-led guerrillas had concentrated strong forces at many strategic points close to the Albanian border and west of Ioannina near Philhites.

Diversionary activities were reported in progress in that region and the informant said the guerrillas were using excellent military tactics which indicated they were receiving directives from high "foreign" military chiefs.

New Lawyer Hired By Convicted Dancer

HAVANA, Jan. 13 (AP) — Patricia (Saira) Schmidt hired a new lawyer today to handle her appeal from a 15-year prison sentence for the fatal shooting of John Lester Mee aboard his yacht in Havana harbor.

The dancer from Toledo, Ohio, signed a paper appointing Carlos Mensio, one of Cuba's outstanding criminal lawyers, as her attorney succeeding Castellanos who defended her during her trial.

Mensio said he would handle the appeal for "absolutely nothing."

While Mrs. Eugene Groff, Boyertown, the teacher of the school, led her 35 pupils to safety, young Yerk seized a full bucket of water.

He climbed through a hole in the ceiling inside the clothes closet made his way through the smoke to the blaze and drenched it with water. Although the fire still burned, the youth seized blazing brands and tossed them through a small window in the loft.

After phoning an alarm to the Gilbertville Fire company at 11:30 o'clock, employees of Freed's Meat market assisted Yerk in extinguishing the blaze. It had been put out by the time the company fought its way through snow-filled roads to reach the school.

Yerk, who noted that the window was the only ventilation in the loft, said the youngster could have been overcome by the smoke.

"I don't know how he managed to climb up there," the fire chief remarked, "but he deserves a lot of credit for what he did."

He estimated the damage at \$150 and ordered the school closed until repairs could be made. According to other firemen, the stove pipe had been repaired and lengthened Monday. They believed the extra length increased the draft in the coal stove, resulting in over-heating the pipe.

Bartholomew in "The Hasty Heart." Sat., Jan. 17. Seats at Stone's Jewelry Accommodations for private parties Howard Johnson's, 1500 High Levensgood's Cup, Charlotte and Prospect. Ice Cream. Frozen Foods. Kozak Bros. Cooper's Beer. P. 1935-W

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FIVE PERSONS DIE IN CRASH OF DC3 PLANE

Four Others Injured As Aircraft Rams Slope in Maryland

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (AP)—Five men were killed and four injured today when an Eastern Airlines plane crashed into a wooded slope on the Maryland side of the Potomac river near here.

An exchange of communications between the plane and the control tower at National airport, recorded by the Civil Aeronautics administration, indicated that the pilot and passengers had no warning of the impending crash. The cause of the accident was undetermined.

The fuselage broke in two when the two-engine DC3 hit the ground, but the craft did not burn. The pilot and co-pilot were among the dead.

The death list: Capt. Paul Sallants, pilot, Atlanta; Ralph B. Sanberre Jr., co-pilot, Atlanta; William A. Moorhead, vice president and general manager of the Jeannette Textile mills, Giesville, S. C.; S. M. Warner, Clinton, S. C.; and L. A. Brandt, Wilton, Conn.

The 21-passenger airliner was en route from Houston, Tex., to Boston, carrying the three crewmen and 18 passengers.

The accident occurred shortly after 4:35 a. m. (Pottstown time) while a light rain was falling. The ceiling was 1400 feet and the forward visibility four miles, compared with the minimum permissible operating conditions here of 400 feet and one mile.

According to the CAA's transcription of conversations between the plane and the control tower, the airliner at 4:26 a. m. was over Doncaster, a check point in Maryland a few miles south of National airport. The tower instructed Sallants to proceed to Mount Vernon and fly at 2500 feet.

About one minute later, another E. A. L. plane flying at 3000 feet was cleared to the airport tower and Sallants was instructed to rise to 3500 feet. He pointed out that he was able to see the ground and asked why he should go higher. The tower told him about the other plane; Sallants acknowledged and presumably began to climb.

At 4:31 a. m. Sallants was told he could descend to 2500 feet, and two minutes later he was cleared to the tower. The tower received no acknowledgement when it asked him to report when he descended below 2500 feet and when he left Mount Vernon.

Ex-Capone Officer Admits Conspiracy

CHICAGO, Jan. 13 (AP)—Tony Accardo, former lieutenant in the old Capone syndicate, surrendered today on a conspiracy charge and the government disclosed it had taken precautions against his skipping the country.

Accardo and Eugene Bernstein, a Chicago attorney who also surrendered, were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in connection with the paroles of four former Capone henchmen from Federal prison after they served one-third of their 10 year sentences.

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BROADCASTERS HEAD BRANDS PETRILLO 'ECONOMIC PIRATE'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (AP)—James C. Petrillo was assailed as an "economic pirate" today by a radio leader who expressed "pessimism" about the chances of reaching an agreement with Petrillo by Jan. 31 on the use of "live musicians" for the nation's networks.

The testimony was given to the House labor committee by Justin Miller, president of the National Association of Broadcasters.

Petrillo's contract with the networks for the use of members of the American Federation of Musicians expires Jan. 31 in the second phase of a series of bans laid down by Petrillo which have already halved record making.

Miller also testified that Petrillo's union asked him to intercede with President Truman to bring about a veto of the so-called "Lea anti-Petrillo" bill. The Lea bill, passed by Congress in 1946, forbade any one to force radio stations to hire musicians they do not need.

Miller said the late Joseph A. Padway, general counsel for Petrillo's union, called him at the height of negotiations between the union and the networks, and told him: "We want to make a test of your good faith. We want you to get President Truman to veto the Lea bill."

Miller, who served for eight years as a judge in the U. S. circuit court of Appeals, said he refused to intercede.

"That apparently was the basis for the breakdown of all negotiations with Petrillo," Miller said.

The witness said the "major impact of Petrillo's actions" has fallen on the smaller radio stations, because they can stand no extra burden. Testifying that 54 percent of the country's radio stations depended entirely on recordings, which have been banned by Petrillo, he continued:

"Petrillo said to me he thought it would be a good thing if a lot of these small stations went out of business and if they couldn't hire live musicians, they had better get out."

Rep. Lesinski (D-Mich) asked Miller if there is not "collusion" between the major broadcasting companies and Petrillo "to prevent the small stations from getting music."

Miller replied, under oath, that he has "no knowledge of anything to lead me to suspect there is collusion."

Miller said that Petrillo defied Congress to break up his alleged monopoly over "live" music, saying "You can do what you like about legislating against strikes but you can't make my boys work."

High Court Aid Sought In Monopoly Ruling

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (AP)—The Supreme court today was asked to help enforce a lower court's ruling that the Aluminum Company of America is a monopoly.

In 1940 the high court made legal history when it refused to hear an appeal on the same case on the grounds it could not muster a qualified quorum.



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JAMES C. PETRILLO

Greeks Round Up 800 Communists For Questioning

ATHENS, Jan. 13 (AP)—The Greek government announced tonight it had rounded up 800 Communist suspects in the past 24 hours—600 of them with the use of naval craft in Piraeus harbor.

Officials said 15 boats were used in the roundup of the 600 in the area of the harbor. They were taken from houses and boats. A large number were released later after preliminary questioning.

Two hundred persons in a north-western suburb of Athens were taken during the night. A majority were released today. They were questioned chiefly concerning their reasons for being in that vicinity.

Meanwhile, Ioannides Vretackos, publisher and populist member of parliament, was arrested by air force police. They accused him of writing an article identifying some members of the air corps as "Communists." The article said three members of the air force had deserted to the side of Markos Vafiades, the Guerrilla leader, and there were a number of other known "Communists" in the air force.

Vretackos' arrest was ordered by Air Minister Dimitri Zingas, a member of the Liberal party, and set off a heated debate in parliament where Vretackos claimed parliamentary immunity from arrest. Zingas said the emergency military laws dispensed with immunity, and declared the three men named by Vretackos had been dismissed more than a year and a half ago. He denied there were any Communists in the air force.

Fisticuffs Mark Discussion in French Body

PARIS, Jan. 13 (AP)—Fist fights among the deputies threw a session of the national assembly into an uproar tonight and the Communists, fighting for a key legislative office, broke up the meeting in a maneuver temporarily paralyzing France's law-making machinery.

The non-Communist majority in the chamber appealed immediately to President Vincent Auriol for aid in getting the assembly operating again. Another session was set for tomorrow.

A Communist decision to insist on the re-election of their legislative leader, Jacques Duclos, as first vice-president threw the session into an uproar as deputies shouted and fought in the aisles.

As first vice-president, Duclos would be in line to succeed the presiding officer of the assembly if anything happened to ailing, 76-year-old Edouard Herriot, radical Socialist former premier, who was re-elected assembly president earlier in the same session.

Fighting also preceded the vote on the presidency which Herriot won by receiving 317 votes to 124 for Communist Raymond Caudes.

Non-Communist deputies offered Duclos the third vice-presidency. This was a departure from French parliamentary tradition which in the past assured the election to the first vice-presidency of the representative of the largest party—the Communists, at present.

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SENATE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW UMT
WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (AP)—The Senate armed services committee decided today to have early discussions of universal military training.

Chairman Gurney (R-SD) told reporters the committee wants to have a series of meetings with officials of the armed services and others concerning "up-to-date thinking" on universal military training and reserves, including the National Guard. These officials will be questioned, also, on over-all plans of the military establishments, he said.

The meetings will start "presumably next week," he added. President Truman has asked Congress to require military training of all young men.

Woman Admits Strangling Baby

BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 13 (AP)—Mrs. Dorothy Fitzhugh, 22, signed a written statement today that she strangled her three-year-old son with a diaper about 1 a. m., after days of worry over family finances. Chief of Detectives, J. R. Norrell announced.

She signed the statement, Norrell said, after hours of questioning at police headquarters, where a charge of first degree murder was placed against her.

Norrell said Mrs. Fitzhugh told officers an insurance policy for \$1000 was in effect on the child, Johnny Fitzhugh.

The detective chief quoted Mrs. Fitzhugh as saying:

"I was greatly upset over a call about a loan. The baby had gone to sleep in his bed.

"I turned out the lights and got a diaper and changed it around his neck. I don't know how long I held the diaper around his neck.

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President Truman to Press Fight For Anti-Inflation Plan Passage

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (AP)—President Truman today readied for submission to Congress tomorrow an economic blueprint for 1948 which is expected to include a renewed demand for enactment of his 10-point anti-inflation program and a call for increased productivity.

Meanwhile administration leaders pressed their months-long campaign to win Congressional approval of a compulsion-backed program to curb the rising cost of living.

Secretary of Labor Schweikertbach told the Senate banking committee today he believes that if Congress acts now to hold down prices labor unions will ease their demands for wage increases.

Tomorrow the same group will hear testimony by Secretary of Interior Krag and Secretary of Commerce Harrison. Harrison has already set up preliminary machinery for putting into effect the voluntary industry-wide agreements program approved by the special session the past December.

The cabinet members are appearing before the Senate group to testify on three proposed rationing and wage-price control bills. Senator Flanders (R-VT) expects to introduce a meat rationing bill this week.

In tomorrow's message—the second annual economic report—President Truman is expected to plead urgently for the "standby" anti-inflation powers which the Republican-controlled Congress has refused so far to grant him. Despite the fact that national production is currently at the rate of \$235,000,000,000 a year, physical output is

believed to be short of the goal he announced the past year. At that time he mentioned productivity in terms of goods and services, rather than in dollars.

Officials predicted several days ago that tomorrow's message would contain specific recommendations for improving health and social welfare of the nation's millions. They indicated privately that it would be patterned along Franklin D. Roosevelt's "new deal" program in that respect.

Schweikertbach appeared before the Senate banking committee to ask passage of wage-price legislation he previously submitted to Congress the past December.

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Crewmen Rescued From Army Barge

SEATTLE, Jan. 13 (AP)—Crew members of a self-propelled Army barge which reported at noon today it had "less than one hour to stay afloat" have been removed from the vessel, a message from the commander Navy forces, Adak sector, said tonight.

The message was relayed to Coast Guard headquarters here. It also gave instructions to the crew of the Coast Guard Cutter Cedar to concentrate now on aiding the Aleutian Mail, a small steamer in trouble off the southwest tip of Unimak island with 11 aboard.

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Meet On German Bizonal Plan



Meeting in Frankfurt to discuss new plans for a Bizonal Economic Administration in Germany. Gen. Lucius D. Clay (left), U. S. Military Governor of the occupied zone, shakes hands with Lt. Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, British military governor. They conferred with eight minister-presidents of the Bizone. Condemning the plan, a Soviet army paper indicated that an attempt will be made to force the Western Allies from Berlin, although they have no intention of withdrawing.

Slowe Health Board Renames Officers To Hold Posts in '48

Realigning into the same pattern it has held for years, the Slowe health board "reorganized" last night by re-electing all incumbent officers.

George B. Mest will carry on as president for another year as will Jacob Romig, vice president, and Lester Yerger, secretary, who was named to fulfill the unexpired term of the late Harvey B. Mest the past year.

Dr. John B. Sherbon and Leonard Levensong are the other board members. John A. Naylor, will continue as health officer. The meeting was held at his home, 16 West Vine street.

Before the health officer's reports for the past December and 1947 were read, the board decided meetings will be held the first Monday of each month instead of the first Tuesday. They will be held at the vice president's home.

Last night's meeting was a postponement from Jan. 6 when the meeting was canceled due to members' sickness.

The December report included only one complaint, five cases of chicken pox and inspection and condemnation of one well.

The year's tally, however, was more impressive. It included:

Nineteen complaints; ten notices served; two wells inspected; an open spring condemned; 11 signs posted; three lunchrooms and five tap rooms inspected and licenses to all eight issued; eight cases of mumps; one of meningitis; 103 of measles; 14 of chicken pox and four of scarlet fever.

FRENCH TO RATION MEAT

PARIS, Jan. 13 (AP)—A spokesman for the agriculture ministry said meat rationing will be resumed in large French cities Feb. 15. About 15,000,000 persons will be affected and each person will be allowed seven ounces of meat a week.

2 HURT IN AIR CRASH

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 13 (AP)—Two men were injured, not seriously, when a private DC2 twin engine plane crashed in a vacant lot in a residential district after a faltering takeoff from nearby Lockheed airport.

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AUTO CRASHES —

(Continued From Page One)

vestigated, said they are awaiting a coroner's report before deciding whether any charges will be pressed. Pottstown police were conducting a systematic search yesterday in an attempt to find the car that skidded into the south side of the Milk Shake Bar, on West High street, early yesterday morning, and then left the scene with only bits of headlight lens and traces of paint as clues.

The one-story frame building, located west of Penn Village on the north side of Route 422, is owned by Robert Woodley, 254 West King street, who discovered the damage when he opened his shop shortly before ten o'clock yesterday morning.

Motor Patrolman Lewis Borgiet, who investigated the incident, reported that four glass frames and a screen door were smashed. Damage was estimated at \$60.

Although no one heard the crash, Adam Haws, of Douglassville, who was having seat covers put on his car at the adjacent service station, glanced at the car, apparently, according to Borgiet, just after the crash, as the driver was starting to pull away, and observed:

"Look at that car. If he isn't careful, he's going to run right into Johnny's place."

On Route 63 a few miles from where Hoffman was fatally injured, two cars collided head-on yesterday morning at 8:20 o'clock.

The driver of one car, Edmund Overholzer, 38, Pennsburg, sustained a knee injury but did not require hospitalization. Damage to the fronts of the two machines totaled \$625, Collegeville State police reported.

Overholzer's sedan, going west, collided with the eastbound coupe of Charles P. Adams, 48, Allentown.

Forcing his truck back on the road after it had left the pavement at the Berks street intersection, Leroy S. Griesemer, Yellow House, skidded across West High street yesterday morning to collide with a car driven by William J. De Angelo, Boyertown, which was approaching in the opposite direction. Motor Patrolman Harold E. Hahn

Warns Socialists



Communist Premier Georgi Dimitrov of Bulgaria (above), yesterday lashed out at nine Socialist deputies and reminded them that if they didn't keep in line, they might meet the same fate as Nikola Petkov who criticised the government and was executed.

who investigated reported that De Angelo was traveling west on High street when he saw Griesemer go into the skid. The truck hurtled across the highway through the

snow to crash into the left front end of De Angelo's car.

Two Reading men were injured yesterday when a truck skidded across Route 422, near Douglassville over the concrete island onto the opposite lane directly in front of the car in which they were passengers.

The injured were Herman Moser, 26, Reading, cut lip, and Charles J. Weber, 28, West Lawn, cut over the eye.

They were treated at Memorial hospital and discharged. The injured were William McClain, 41, Philadelphia, truck driver, and Theodore Loose, 33, Reading, car driver.

An oil truck and trailer jackknifed across High street near Madison street at 11:05 o'clock last night, seriously damaging one car and grazing several others. No one was injured.

The truck, driven by Berla Summerall, Philadelphia, was going east on high when it started a long skid. The trailer part grazed several cars and then struck the front of the westbound car driven by Willie Crawford, 544 Walnut street, which was stopped for the red light at High and Madison streets.

The victim of the fatal accident, Jesse Hoffman, 48, of Perkiomenville, was a native of Pennsburg and a son of the late Benjamin L. and Sarah Jane (Fox) Hoffman. He was a member of Nest 22, Fraternal Order of Orioles, Boyertown; Green Lane Fire company, Gilbertsville Fire company and Keeler's Lutheran church, Obelisk.

He is survived by his widow, Mae D. (Schoon) Hoffman; one daughter, Mrs. Jennie M. Rhoads, of Pottstown; one grand-daughter, Dolores Mae Rhoads, and these

brothers and sisters: William, of Greshville; Lizzie, wife of Abraham Hartzell, of Telford; Katie, wife of Fred Stonaker, of Frederick; Jane, wife of Harry Derrine, of Telford; Lillian, wife of Lawrence Buchert, of Boyertown RD 1; Mabel, wife of William Stofflet, Frederick, and Flora, wife of LeRoy Erb, of Boyertown RD 1.

Funeral services will be held from a funeral home located at 124 West Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown, on Saturday at 2 p. m. The Rev. E. L. Angstadt, of Keeler's Lutheran church, will officiate. Interment will be made in Union cemetery, Boyertown.

COURT JUSTICE DIES

ROCHESTER, Minn., Jan. 13 (AP)—Justice William G. Ross, 59, of the Saskatchewan Courts of King's Bench, died in the Mayo clinic today of cancer.

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1948

Two persons cannot long be friends
if they cannot forgive each other's
little failings.—Brayere.

Street Improvements Needed

YESTERDAY'S atrocious driving conditions
along Pottstown's streets pointed up the
need for widespread highway repair.
The deep slush, then the attendant puddles
of water caused many a driving hazard that
was exaggerated by the "thank-you-ma-mams"
built decades ago to carry off the rain water.
Pottstown has so many of these "dipsy-
doo's" at street intersections that motorists
are bounced from seat to roof and back to
seat again in an endless row of jounces
that rival the antics of an apprenticeship
clerical operator.

The deep gutters at many of Pottstown's
intersections should be eliminated. They can
be eliminated by the construction of storm
sewers.

Driving conditions in some of the back
sections of Pottstown were frightening yes-
terday. In the Ninth ward water collected
so deeply at some of the street intersections
that motorists feared driving through the
lakes.

In the East End some intersections were
impassable. Pedestrians didn't have a chance.
They had to cross in the middle of the block
if they were poor swimmers. For water col-
lected at the corners to such depths that
submarines almost were needed by school
children.

Pottstown's streets have been repaired.
Many have been re-laid with asphalt.
But no movement has been started to get
rid of the gutters that make driving so
hazardous, that prevent walkers from
crossing a street.

Borough council should make a survey.
Then it should order the gutters filled and
storm sewers constructed. The good work
should start at the intersection of Hanover
and Oak streets. That intersection is a dis-
grace to the community!

Henry the Lamb

A GEM of underestimation was the comment
of Henry Morgenthau Jr., former Treasury
Secretary, on the disclosure that he had sold
short in the corn market on June 27, re-
portedly losing upwards of \$100,000.
"It is obvious that I had no inside in-
formation," said Mr. Morgenthau.

Actually he would not have been wide of
the facts had he said, "It is obvious that I
had no information."

With the government exporting a third
of the wheat crop and bad weather destroy-
ing corn, it would seem to us that selling
short was exhibiting less judgment than
might have been expected from a great
financialer.

Doubtless Mr. Morgenthau was influenced
by the trouble he had in 1933, when with
government money he was buying millions of
bushels to try to force grain prices up. Ap-
parently he had then found the shorts so
potent that he thought he'd better join them.

Possibly Mr. Morgenthau's experience will
help to convince President Truman and some
economic illiterates surrounding him that
prices are governed by supply and demand,
not by market activity.

The episode may also console some specu-
lators whom Mr. Truman's demagoguery has ac-
cused of taking money from the pockets of
hungry people. Some of them, at least, were
taking money from Henry Morgenthau Jr.,
who was hungry only to take their money
from them.

A High School Change

SHOULD US high schools throw out algebra
and chronological history? Francis L.
Bacon, Evanston, Ill., principal and member
of the new nine-man commission to reform
high school curricula, thinks they should.

He has only one proviso—namely, that
the 20 percent of students who go on to
college can still take both. But for the 80
percent who do not go to college or into the
skilled trades, Bacon sees no value in either
algebra or chronological history.

Thus far the commission—technically
known as the Commission on Life Adjustment
Education for Youth—has not made any
specific recommendations.
Bacon's proposal quickly drew the fire of
David Rankin Barbee, chairman of the Com-
mission on American History.

Said Barbee: "If the new nine-man com-
mission is stacked against history, chronologi-
cally taught, the sooner the American people
know it the better. The facts of history have
to be taught in their time-perspective. Other-
wise the student gets only a hazy notion of
what it is all about."

Grampaw Oakley

FUNKIN CORNERS,
January 13.
Dear Sir N' Brother:

Wal, the Pottstown area was covered with
another snowfall today. The frequent snow-
falls should have shown
many a motorist that he'd
better not forget how to
use his feet!

A sports item says a
Yale gridiron star has
checked the world by sig-
ning to play professional
football. Wal, even an Old
Blue appreciates that leg
green!

And say: With so many
candidates in the field for
the Republican presidential nomination,
a nomination-seeker who conducts a front
porch campaign may find himself left at
home.
Hopla! you air the same.
GRAMPAN NED OAKLEY

READERS SAY:

Bus Rider Requests
Answer to Complaints

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words long, of current topics and must
not involve personalities. Writers must
sign their names and give street address
as evidence of good faith but these will be
withheld from publication on request.
It is a criminal offense to sign another
person's name. Poetry and communis-
tically advocating the election of
political candidates are not acceptable.

By MERCURY READERS

More on Bus Service

To the Editor: I want to add my few
words to the recent complaints about bus
drivers passing up passengers at Pott-
stown street corners. It seems as if this
practice has been more frequent recently
when the weather has been wet and cold.
Loss of a few passenger fares now doesn't
seem to mean much to the bus companies.
But during the Summer months, when
most folks are driving their automobiles,
the situation is different. Then the buses
must stop for riders in the middle of a
block.

I realize that this is the bus companies'
peak season, traffic is heavy and demands
for service are pressing. But on the Boy-
ertown-Pottstown route, for example,
what can be the reason for half-empty
buses passing up riders to keep them
waiting for other buses running as much
as 20 minutes behind schedule.

Let's have an answer to these com-
plaints from Mr. Murphy or Mr. Healy!
Pottstown "NORTH END"

Deduction About the Wire

To the Editor: Noting the replies to
G. A. L's letter ("Question About a
Wire," Readers Say, Jan. 13), I'm led to
believe that the mysterious wire is used
to support the walls of the Security Trust
building.
Pottstown P. R. H.

Light Plan Deplored

To the Editor: And now, I see by The
Mercury, the borough is planning to put
up traffic lights at High and Price streets.
No lights are needed at this intersection
as there is not enough traffic on Price
street to hold up High street traffic.

There are many intersections, such as
King and Franklin streets, which are
more in need of lights. Lights are ex-
pensive. Let's put them where they are
needed most.
Pottstown EAST END

The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

LAURA Z., 36, has been married for
10 years.

"Dr. Crane, I am a victim of many
fears and compulsions," she began our
interview.

"For example, I can walk along the
south side of our street, but never on the
north side. I don't even dare try it,
for I grow panicky and my heart pounds
so violently, I am sure I'll die."

"Several years ago I had a nervous
breakdown, and I'm afraid I'll have an-
other. Dr. Crane, what is wrong with
me? Three physicians tell me I am O. K.,
but I am just as troubled and terrified
as ever."

Let's start out with the wholesome
premise that for every psychological
effect, there must be a cause.

Laura cannot walk along the north
side of the street. Let's try to find the
cause. Sometimes people say they can-
not remember why they do this or that,
yet subconsciously they will have a vivid
recollection of the original fear or con-
flict that started the process.

Well, the north side of the street had
vacant lots for half a block while the
south side was built up with houses. And
Laura feared the vacant lots.

Thus it wasn't dread of north versus
south, but simply that she avoided vacant
lots. Why? That becomes our second
step. We now know she doesn't like
them.

And a dislike for anything usually in-
dicates some painful or fearful previous
experience with that situation or person.
Remember, too, that among human be-
ings, pain involves not only fire and
needle stabs, but social humiliation,
twinges of conscience, or guilt.

The vacant lots were simply symboli-
cal of a childhood experience which Laura
had suffered. We can figure most of this
out without questioning her. In order
to procure the actual details, however,
we must ask her to give us her story.

If she forgets, then we must jog her
memory with tactful questions. The more
experience we psychologists possess, the
quicker we can get the story, for then we
can guess pretty well the patient's trouble
before we start our history taking.

And here's Laura's full story. As a
child she had indulged her normal curi-
osity regarding sex while with a couple
of older neighbors who lived in vacant lots.
They had been playing in that large
vacant lot near Laura's home. But
Laura's mother happened to come upon
the scene at that very moment. This
good lady was horrified.

So she threatened Laura with insani-
ty and death. She terrified the child so
greatly that the effect is still vividly
present; and mortifying Laura's behavior
25 years later.

Now she cannot walk along the north
side of the street, even though she is a
grown woman, because the vacant lots
re-act the old fright of 25 years ago.

I reassured Laura that her mind was
not endangered, and that she had done
only what thousands of normal children
do. She felt relieved to know that her
25 year fear of insanity was unfounded.

But that didn't entirely free her of the
dread of vacant lots. Why? Well, Laura
is sexually unsatisfied in her marriage.
She is hungry for more erotic stimulation.

So, like moths flying to a flame, her
thoughts revert to her former self-sex
stimulation back on that vacant lot. There
she recalls, at the conscious level, and
immediately tortures herself with fear
of insanity as a penance.

I gave her husband my medical-psych-
ological bulletin "Sex Problems in Mar-
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Vast Spending Scheme
Is U. S. Bureau Secret

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 — President
Truman's appeal for Congressional ap-
proval of many millions for new Federal
projects, including dams, seaways, power
plants, irrigation and reclamation and all
kinds of public
works, makes timely
and pertinent a se-
cret report on Federal
spending schemes of
the Interior Depart-
ment, which would
supervise the pro-
posed undertakings.
This document,
which even members
of Congress have not
been able to obtain,
describes an official
demand that field
workers of the Recla-
mation Bureau pour
out public money so
fast, freely and
handsomely that
both the Budget Bureau and Congress
would be forced into appropriating more
and more money from the public till.

In fact, Interior Secretary J. A. Krug
warned that "I am going to have a good
look at that (spending) picture at the
end of the year, and I am going to hold
you fellows accountable, because I really
think you should get in there with every-
thing we have to get those things going."

APPROPRIATION: Others who spoke
even more frankly than the Cabinet mem-
ber were Reclamation Commissioner
Michael W. Strauss and William E. Warne,
assistant secretary of the interior. De-
spite material and labor shortages, they
ordered their subordinates to shell out
the cash. Otherwise, they said, the
Budget Bureau (a presidential agency)
and Congress would cut down future ap-
propriations, especially for late 1948 and
early 1949.

Last Summer and Fall, Commis-
sioner Strauss delivered the same
message in a tour of the country. He
told public gatherings that their
favorite, local projects would be halt-
ed by the coming March, unless they
put the heat on their representatives.

He instructed his people to exhaust
their full 1948 fiscal year (ending
June 30, 1948) funds by March 1, 1948,
so that he could justify a request for
extra money in the form of a defici-
ency appropriation.

He frightened Democratic and Re-
publican members so successfully, as well
as conservative civic and business groups,
that his plan worked better than he an-
ticipated. He asked for the extra money,
and Congress promised him more than he
requested, it raised the ante. When Sen-
ators Bridges and Wherry made these
charges on the floor, they were denied
indignantly.

EMBARRASSMENT: The minutes of
the hitherto unreported mobilization of
the field agents and engineers of Recla-
mation, however, explain in detail the
operations of the spending scheme. The
same orders from headquarters are still
in force, despite the \$17,000,000,000 Mar-
shall Plan, growing scarcities of build-
ing materials, rising prices for construc-
tion and a tight labor market.

Secretary Krug began the discussion
of how to spend to spare the Budget
Bureau and Congress into loosening the
strings on the public purse. He said:
"One of the most embarrassing
things I have had to deal with—I
think Mike has, too—is that every
time we go over to the Budget and
talk about our desperate and dire
need for money, they lay up to us
that you boys are all sitting on the
money bags, and never spend what
you have."

"Now, I haven't checked that per-
sonally, but, according to Mike in his
more relaxed moments, it is possibly true.
There is serious doubt that you are going
to spend all the money you have this
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WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 — President
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proval of many millions for new Federal
projects, including dams, seaways, power
plants, irrigation and reclamation and all
kinds of public
works, makes timely
and pertinent a se-
cret report on Federal
spending schemes of
the Interior Depart-
ment, which would
supervise the pro-
posed undertakings.
This document,
which even members
of Congress have not
been able to obtain,
describes an official
demand that field
workers of the Recla-
mation Bureau pour
out public money so
fast, freely and
handsomely that
both the Budget Bureau and Congress
would be forced into appropriating more
and more money from the public till.

In fact, Interior Secretary J. A. Krug
warned that "I am going to have a good
look at that (spending) picture at the
end of the year, and I am going to hold
you fellows accountable, because I really
think you should get in there with every-
thing we have to get those things going."

APPROPRIATION: Others who spoke
even more frankly than the Cabinet mem-
ber were Reclamation Commissioner
Michael W. Strauss and William E. Warne,
assistant secretary of the interior. De-
spite material and labor shortages, they
ordered their subordinates to shell out
the cash. Otherwise, they said, the
Budget Bureau (a presidential agency)
and Congress would cut down future ap-
propriations, especially for late 1948 and
early 1949.

Last Summer and Fall, Commis-
sioner Strauss delivered the same
message in a tour of the country. He
told public gatherings that their
favorite, local projects would be halt-
ed by the coming March, unless they
put the heat on their representatives.

He instructed his people to exhaust
their full 1948 fiscal year (ending
June 30, 1948) funds by March 1, 1948,
so that he could justify a request for
extra money in the form of a defici-
ency appropriation.

He frightened Democratic and Re-
publican members so successfully, as well
as conservative civic and business groups,
that his plan worked better than he an-
ticipated. He asked for the extra money,
and Congress promised him more than he
requested, it raised the ante. When Sen-
ators Bridges and Wherry made these
charges on the floor, they were denied
indignantly.

EMBARRASSMENT: The minutes of
the hitherto unreported mobilization of
the field agents and engineers of Recla-
mation, however, explain in detail the
operations of the spending scheme. The
same orders from headquarters are still
in force, despite the \$17,000,000,000 Mar-
shall Plan, growing scarcities of build-
ing materials, rising prices for construc-
tion and a tight labor market.

Secretary Krug began the discussion
of how to spend to spare the Budget
Bureau and Congress into loosening the
strings on the public purse. He said:
"One of the most embarrassing
things I have had to deal with—I
think Mike has, too—is that every
time we go over to the Budget and
talk about our desperate and dire
need for money, they lay up to us
that you boys are all sitting on the
money bags, and never spend what
you have."

"Now, I haven't checked that per-
sonally, but, according to Mike in his
more relaxed moments, it is possibly true.
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DISC JOCKEYS



Hollywood

By EDITH WYNN

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 13 — Jimmy
Cagney will make "The Stray
Lamb" starting in March, to be
followed almost immediately by
"A Lion in the Streets." Hmmm,
mmm—looks like he will reverse things
by "coming in like a lamb and
going out like a lion." Life has
completed a lay-out of Ann Soth-
ern's art collection. It's small,
but one of the finest in town. She
has a bunch of pictures, bought
when certain now recognized artists
were unknown...

Wick, and Goldwyn girl Mary Jane
Wood had themselves quietly hitched.
Vallee takes a lot of ribbing
for being "a hard man with a dol-
lar" — and that he is! But any-
one who worked with him years
ago, can tell you of the support
he gave for years to a member of
his band, stricken with TB years
ago — and that he still contributes
to the family's support even though
the musician died a long time ago.
Also, his secretary recently under-
went a serious operation and didn't
know until she was about to leave
the hospital, that his cost, and the
price of all medical care had been
taken care of by Rudy.

Malcolm (Bud) McTaggart
and Bel Airea Ellen Stein are
going to get married... Dale
Evans is the first woman ever to
be included among the ten
top money-making stars in
Westerns — according to a na-
tional theater poll. All this —
and Roy Rogers too! Now that
Dale and Roy are married,
there's some question as to
whether she'll continue as his
co-star in their pictures. It's
all up to the real fans — the
kids!

Cathy Downes, finished with the
latest Abbott and Costello epic, has
signed for four more pictures in '48
and 13 magazines have voted her
most likely to be a star by the end
of this year. We know another gal
who was just voted "most likely to"
... MGM is kicking its collective
sides for not getting "Homecoming"
out in time to contend for the com-
ing Academy Awards. Clark Gable
is nuts about it and wishing out
loud that it had been his first pos-
ter picture... Clark is supposed
to star in the Arizona desert for at
least six weeks — but, betcha he
doesn't. Few know it, but that leg
injury of his originates in his foot
where a piece of flack pierced it
during a bombing raid over Ger-
many! If you know Clark, you'd
know he'd be the last one to men-
tion it. We dug the information
out of a pal of his a couple of years
ago.

John Wayne and his so-proper
bride are back from Mexico where
he was very ill. He goes right into
"The Wake of the Red Witch" at
Republic where he once toiled for so
long... Eleanor Parker is sure
she'll be a Ma on St. Valentine's
day... Jimmy Dunn, who plays
the drunken "father" of Mickey
Rooney in "Killer McCoy," is so
good, he stands a chance of winning
himself a second Academy Oscar
for a supporting performance role.
By the way, when Rooney returns
from England, you can expect a
flash concerning his marital status.
The "Flash" we've long predicted.

Tomorrow's Problem
8 7 6 5 2
A J 2
A 10
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Q 9 4
8 7 6 5
4 3
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A K 10
K 10
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K Q 6
(Dealer: West. Neither side vul-
nerable.)

Remember (I guess you don't) the old
days when the careful swain took his
young lady out to dine only after having
gone into executive conference with the
maitre-d' to be sure the meal would be
all ready and waiting when they arriv-
ed? Well, the trend is in that direction
again.

One discouraging thought strikes me
at this point, however. With womanhood
emancipated, might not some of the
little ladies on the receiving end of these
pre-ordered dinners look upon their
plates with disfavor if they prefer pheas-
ant under glass to ducking bigarade?
And suppose they just hate Baked Alaska?

Mel Torme is courting the former Miss
Texas—Evelyn Peterson, now a model
... Harlem after-hours bistro are fold-
ing quicker than you can spell your name
... Penny Malone, the girl with the
Skeptics at Spivy's Roof, is the last who
tried to get national publicity by hiding
under Clark Gable's bed, six years ago.
The stunt flopped because the studio
hushed it up, bawled her out and sent her
home.

Members of the crew of the S. S.
America reveal that Gloria Vanderbilt
and husband Leopold Stokowski were the
most unconventional passengers on their
recent trip from England to the United
States. They remained in their state-
room all day long, and went out only to
take strange strolls at midnight and 6
a. m. None of the other passengers even
knew they were aboard until the liner
docked.

Shining lights of national cham-
pionship play vied on this deal in
the big event at Atlantic City.
Through operation of elements vir-
tually out of their own ken, Dr.
Louis Mark, of Columbus, Ohio,
vice president of the American Con-
tract Bridge League, scored over
the great Oswald Jacoby of the
Four Aces a very satisfactory result.
But then he has seen Jacoby the
Only do likewise on plenty of occa-
sions.

Dr. Mark was North at Table 1,
using the standard 1-over-1 bidding
method. The key bid in his own
sequence was that 4-Clubs cue-bid
on the second round, the purpose
being to steer the opening lead into
one of the other three suits from
defenders who might now feel sure
he was blank in clubs. His redoubt-
able of the 6-Hearts was based on his
own confidence that a club lead
would be prevented if he made a
show of thus not fearing it, coupled
with his expectation of a spade
lead in view of the double. And
of course he was right, as he got
a spade lead in view of the double.

Mr. Jacoby's opening was the
Four Aces' artificial 2-Clubs to
show a hand of game strength. All
the other bids by his pair were the
natural consequence of that excep-
tioning his own psychic 3-Clubs to
discourage a lead of that suit. But,
unfortunately for him and his part-
ner, West laid down the club A at
the outset and thus beat the grand
slam.

Paul Andrews of the singing sisters,
and Marty Melcher, her bridegroom,
at last have been forgiven by her disapprov-
ing papa... Peter Lawford is Anita
("The Face") Colby's new dancing part-
ner... Sanford Meisner of "Crime and Pun-
ishment" and Betty Carson, the dancer,
were secretly married last week... Dur-
ing the past ten days, one local depart-
ment store sold more men's overcoats,
suits, rubbers, etcetera than it had sold in
the previous seven years.

For some reason, which I haven't the
energy to analyze at the moment, there
seems to be signs of a return to the old-
fashioned leisurely dining made famous
by such partakers of Lucullan repasts as
Diamond Jim Brady and Ward McAllis-<

Open Battle Against Cancer



—Mercury Staff Photo

To demonstrate one phase of examination in the new cancer detection center at the Pottstown hospital, Mrs. F. L. Munkasey, a member of the women's auxiliary, is placed in position before an X-ray machine by Laboratory Technician Mercedes Cain. Six persons were examined when the center opened at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. It will open at the same time every other Tuesday.

Clinic to Check Cancer Inaugurated Here; Six Undergo Tests at Pottstown Hospital

Six persons braved snow and slippery road conditions to undergo examinations at the new cancer detection center of Pottstown hospital when it opened at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

A. C. Seawell, administrator, said at least six more appointments from persons living in Boyertown, Schwenksville, and Royersford were canceled because of weather conditions.

New appointments have been made for them on Jan. 27, he added, noting that the center is open every other Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Expressing his complete satisfaction with the center Seawell declared:

"It is one of the greatest preventive health steps taken in Pottstown in the past decade."

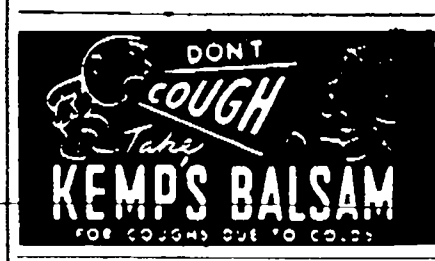
He pointed out that the facilities of the center are open to everyone, not only in Pottstown, but in surrounding communities. Two patients yesterday, he remarked, were residents of Reading.

Drs. Eugene T. R. Stone, A. A. Gallo, and Edgar S. Hada conducted the examinations at the hospital yesterday. They were assisted by members of the cancer committee of the women's auxiliary who helped route the patients through the various steps of the examination.

Dr. Laurence Rentchler, Philadelphia roentgenologist, and Dr. Joseph Stasney, Philadelphia pathologist, assisted at the opening of the center. Dr. Rentchler will interpret the X-rays taken during the examination. Dr. Stasney conducted the Papanicolaou tests. The latter test involves the examination of smears for the early detection of cancer. It is one of the latest known methods.

He said many members of the women's auxiliary have signified their intention of taking the various tests as a preventive measure.

Born Mrs. Harold Cadmus, president of the auxiliary, and Mrs. J. C. Blue, chairman of the cancer committee, were present at the opening of the center yesterday.



Film on Apostle's Life Scheduled Tonight

In yesterday's Mercury it was reported erroneously that sound motion pictures on the life of the Apostle Paul would be shown at Salem Evangelical United Brethren Church last night.

The Rev. John L. Smoker, pastor of Baltimore Memorial United Brethren Church, co-sponsor of the program, said the film will be shown at Salem Evangelical Church tonight at 8 o'clock.



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Downstairs



Ministerium Head Cites Stowe Parish At Dinner Meeting



—Mercury Staff Photo

The annual Fellowship dinner and congregational meeting of St Peter's Lutheran church, Stowe, were held Monday night in the parish house which adjoins the recently remodeled church edifice on Glasgow street.

Dr. Emil E. Fischer, of Philadelphia, president of the Pennsylvania Lutheran Ministerium, was the main speaker. Dr. Fischer praised members of the congregation for their fine program of remodeling the church building. He said it was most befitting for worshippers of God to have a fine temporal home he stressed the fact that the

congregation has also grown spiritually.

He stated it is necessary to have a well equipped church in order to perform the various functions which include not only worship of God but maintaining the interest of all, especially the young.

Vice president Leidy Gaugler, of the vestry, was in charge of the business session. Reports were made by the pastor, the Rev. Kenneth R. Anderson, Secretary Robert DeLong and Treasurer Leonard Bechtel. The pastor stated there were

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C. E. Keffer Named New President of Spring City Council

Spring City borough council elected a new president, accepted the resignation of another member and adopted the budget for the year at its reorganization meeting Monday night in borough hall.

With Burgess Benjamin E. Bertolotti presiding, council elected Clyde E. Keffer, of the First ward, as president, after Harry Lee declined the nomination for the post. Lee remained a member of the council.

Four members, who were re-elected to new terms at the November election, were sworn in by Burgess Bertolotti. They were Keffer, first ward; Charles Goshaw, Second ward; Howard Barclay, Third ward; and Lee, Fourth ward.

Immediately after receiving the oath as a re-elected member, Goshaw tendered his resignation as a member of council. The resignation was accepted with regrets. Goshaw recently entered into business, which was his reason for resigning. No action was taken on naming a successor.

Other officers and employees of the borough, all re-elected, were:

Rudolph Kirchhof, vice-president; Norman Mowrey, secretary; Benjamin Gennung, treasurer; Charles Shenfield, street commissioner; John Hanebury, chief of police; Arthur Setzer, assistant police officer; Edgar Gerhart, sewer operator; Clarence Hanebury, assistant sewer operator; John Hanebury, health officer.

The budget for the year, based on the present tax rate of 18 mills, listed an estimated income of \$24,895.75 and a balance remaining at the beginning of the year of \$28,774.46, to show a total estimated income of \$53,670.21.

Total expenditures for the general operating fund were listed as \$24,895.75, leaving an unappropriated balance of \$28,774.46. The budget was approved tentatively and ordered placed on public display for ten days, before final adoption.

Report of Tax Receiver Norman Mowrey showed receipts of \$209.74 and a present uncollected balance of \$218.26. The report of Health Officer Hanebury showed two cases of scarlet fever and one of chicken pox during the past month.

On recommendation of Harry Diehl, president of Liberty Fire company, the following members of the fire company were approved as special fire police:

Harry Bauman, Sr., captain; James S. Haldeman, H. Blaine Lee, Trude Traister, George Zollers, Andrew Lawson and Harvey A. Shakespeare.

Porpoise milk is slightly sweeter than cow's milk.

Twin Boro Classified

Deaths 1
KESSLER - In Phoenixville hospital, on Saturday, Jan. 10, 1948, Edna S. Kessler, aged 59 years. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral at the Nelson Funeral Home, 331 New St., Spring City, on Wednesday at 2 p. m. Interment East View cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Tuesday evening 7 to 9.

HILLMAN - In Phoenixville hospital, on Sunday, Jan. 11, 1948, Clarence A. Hillman, aged 79 years. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral at the Nelson Funeral Home, 331 New St., Spring City, on Thursday at 12:30 o'clock. Interment Fernwood cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Wednesday evening 7 to 9.

Automobiles for Sale 11
1935 Plymouth Coach, 2 extra tires, running condition. Phone Royersford 312-4, after 4 p. m.

We Can Do It 18
Painting and Paperhanging estimates given. E. Boy Keen, 259 Bridge street, Spring City. Phone 750.

Help Wanted—Male 33
WANTED—Boy for Mercury route in Spring City. Apply Marley R. Brandreth, 24 Ave. & Main, Royersford, Pa. 158

Articles for Sale 46
Zenith 9-tube console radio for sale, perfect condition, \$50. Call Royersford 295-8.

Wanted to Buy 61
Furniture, Carpets and Stoves bought and exchanged. J. Street, Room 28, Phoenixville 333. 126 Bridge St.

NOTICE

Vincent Lodge No. 762
I. O. O. F.

All members are requested to meet at the Nelson Funeral Home, 331 New Street, Spring City, Wednesday evening, Jan. 14, at 8 o'clock, to view our late brother, Clarence A. Hillman.

William Rose, Jr.,
Noble Grand

SPECIAL MEETING

FRIENDSHIP FIRE CO. No. 2, ROYERSFORD

Wednesday, Jan. 14, 8 P. M.

IMPORTANT

T. N. Thompson
Secretary

DEATHS - FUNERALS

IRVIN F. SHANER, 77, of UPPER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP, died in Phoenixville hospital yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, after a brief illness. He was admitted to the hospital Monday night.

Mr. Shaner, who lived at Upper Mingo, Royersford RD 1, the past 20 years, was employed by the State highway department. He was born at Boyertown, son of the late David and Catherine (Fry) Shaner. He was a member of the KGB lodge, Linfield.

Surviving are his widow, Lottie; three children, Harrison, Spring City; Marie Ernst, Washington, D. C.; and Lawrence, at home; three grandchildren and two step-sisters, Mrs. Mamie Hill and Mrs. Clara Nagle, Pottstown.

Funeral services will be held in a funeral home at 135 Bridge street, Spring City, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with interment in Bethel Methodist cemetery.

New Officers to Lead Ladies' Aid Meeting

The Ladies' aid of Walter Caffrey American Legion post, Spring City, will meet tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in the post home, with the new officers presiding for the first time. A special entertainment has been planned and refreshments will be served.

New officers are Amanda Kramer, president; Edith Quigg, vice-president; Mrs. Thomas O'Connor, secretary.

Spring City Girl Scouts Await Badge Test

Spring City Girl Scouts held their weekly meeting Monday night in the Methodist church, with 29 girls and three leaders attending.

All the junior girls were asked to set a table for a week, to pass their home making badge. They also passed their arts and crafts badge by making a booklet for their work. The meeting ended with the closing circle and taps.

Two Are Honored At Birthday Party

A birthday dinner was given at noon yesterday by Mrs. Wilmer Quigg, 210 Main street, Royersford, in honor of the natal anniversaries of her daughter, Mrs. Thelma Shaner, and Miss Bobbie Gauger.

A birthday cake formed the table centerpiece. Gifts were presented each of the honored guests. Attending were Mrs. Mabel McCann, Misses Grace Cook, Margaret Yost, Dora Brunner, Doris Nyce and Anna Scortico, Mrs. Laura Overholzer, Mrs. Shaner, Miss Gauger and Mrs. Quigg.

Three Attend Meeting At Trooper Home

Miss Jeanne Walters and Richard and Roger Cattermole, Royersford, attended a meeting of the camp committee of Montgomery county Christian Endeavor union at the home of Miss Ada Hancock, Trooper.

Roger Cattermole led the devotional period and was named program chairman. Roger Cattermole was named registrar for the Labor Day week-end camp, to be held Sept. 3, 4, 5 and 6 at Green Lane.

RELEASED IN BAIL

NORRISTOWN, Jan. 13—Adolph Jefferson, Bridge street, Spring City, was released under \$300 bail for Montgomery county court at a hearing before Justice of the Peace Charles J. Gorman this morning, charged with non-support of his wife, Betty, Royersford.

ENGAGEMENT REVEALED

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sheetz, 263 Walnut street, Phoenixville, announced the engagement of their daughter, Doris, to John Bauer Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bauer, 161 Main street, Royersford.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Mrs. Beulah Jones, Spring City, has been admitted to Phoenixville hospital.

POLICE HEAD DISMISSED

HARRISBURG, Jan. 13 (P)—Col. G. M. Wilhelm, commissioner of the Pennsylvania State police, announced today that L. Herman J. Roush, formerly commander of Troop D, Squadron 2, Williamsport, has been "dismissed for the good of the service."

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Boyer said his company was given 48 hours to deliver the new directories and that distribution was proceeding rapidly despite the snow.

William H. Evans, 10 South Hanover street, is delivering the books. In the area from Manatoway to Charlotte streets along High street, the books were carried to various offices by hand. The remainder will be delivered by car.

Boyer, who noted that mostly business and professional men were receiving the directory, said they had been shipped from Boston on Dec. 23. They originally were scheduled to come by truck, he said, but because of a trucking strike, came by express.

Five Men Named To Church Vestry

Five men were elected to three-year terms on the vestry of Transfiguration Lutheran church at the annual congregational meeting held last night in the church.

The new members, Charles J. Custer, Melvin L. Feroe, Stanley G. Freese, A. B. Sesholtz and Edward J. Storb, will be installed at the service Sunday morning.

The Rev. Theodore L. Fischer, pastor, reported the addition of 48 new members during the past year, and announced that the communion membership stands at 400.

Clarence E. Smith, current expense treasurer, reported that \$10,000 had been expended locally in 1947. Benevolence Treasurer Harold B. Sloan announced the expenditure of \$4000 for the work of the church at large.

Other reports were submitted by John J. Kessler, parish house building treasurer; Mrs. John T. Scheffey, Mrs. Levi K. Stein, Francis S. Binder and Harold Sloan, for the Sunday school; Mrs. Feroe and Mrs. Elizabeth K. Robbins, for the Women's Missionary society; Elizabeth Newlin and Mrs. Ralph E. Sooy, for the Mite society; Mrs. George Petrick and Margaret Dianderfer, for the Laura Horn circle; Mrs. I. Robert Bittler, for the In-Betweeners; and Grover Scheffey and Luther Rife for the Athletic association.

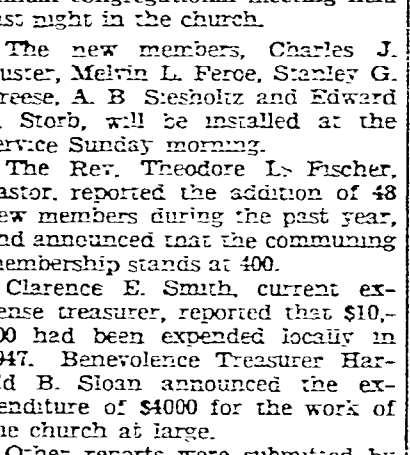
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Unions, Management Need Top Leaders, Rev. Lineker Says

"Clear, intelligent leadership is needed in both labor unions and in management," declared the Rev. George A. Lineker, rector of Christ Episcopal church, as he discussed unionism before a meeting of 50 members of Local 2326, United Steel Workers (CIO), held in CIO hall last night.

The minister spoke of the growing power and importance of labor in the community and in the government, and of the responsibility of people to go along with the union movement.

He emphasized the necessity of education in labor unionism, and suggested that labor and management cooperate in educational measures, for the good of both.

The union members discussed the establishment of a credit union in the Stanley G. Plagz company plant, and James H. Corum, president of the local, reported that the feeling of the men was "very much for a credit union."

Conrad Bechtel, financial secretary, gave the report of the benefit fund for the past year, while Raymond Wilkinson, treasurer, gave the 1947 financial report.

Corum was in charge of the meeting.

The ceramic tile floor of the chapel house of Westminster Abbey, laid between 1253 and 1258, is still in place.

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David T. Morris Cited At Optimist Meeting

David T. Morris, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. David M. Morris, 926 High street, received a certificate as Boy of the Month from the Pottstown Optimist club, as the group met last night in the Elks home.

In celebration of Boys' Night, 16 youngsters, brought to the meeting by Captain Meral Cox, of the Salvation Army, were entertained with dinner and sports movies.

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Suggestions for Civic Improvements Made By School Seniors at Woman's Club Meeting

Five Boyertown High school seniors outlined plans for civic improvements at a meeting of the Woman's club in the Boyer Towne inn yesterday at 2 p. m.

They were Marguerite Leister, Kenneth Nyce, Catherine Scoudt, Frank Cressman and Marie Landis. A panel discussion and open forum meeting followed their presentation speeches.

Miss Leister stressed the fact that a community park is a necessity. She suggested it be financed through gifts, campaigns and local taxation. Also suggested was an indoor swimming pool and gymnasium.

"A recreation board and supervisor would be an asset to Boyertown," she said. "It would be their job to supervise programs and care for the park and gymnasium," she added.

Nyce, who spoke on local government, praised the borough for its borough manager system. "Any town of Boyertown's size needs a full-time professional manager," he said.

He also urged councilman's pay, a building code for the town and enforcement of local ordinances dealing with connections to the sanitary sewer and snow removal.

Miss Scoudt, in discussing the housing problem in the borough, suggested co-operative building on the part of new homeowners. "They would start on one house and work on it until it was completed," she explained. "Some outside help would be needed, of course, but much of the work could be accomplished by the men," Miss Scoudt added.

Financing of low-cost housing projects also was urged. Homes built in the future, she said, should be set back from the sidewalk.

Cressman discussed health and safety in the town and urged posting by borough council of 35-mile-per-hour signs along main streets. He also urged an adequate chlorination and filter system at the swimming pool at the South end of the borough.

"Covered trucks for sanitary disposal of garbage are also necessary," he explained.

Beautification was the field discussed by Miss Landis. She urged the planting of additional trees and a zoning system to regulate new residential and industrial building.

"I would suggest the erection of a fountain with pine trees and flowers planted around it," she said, in discussing beautification of the property at The Hub as a war memorial.

Regulation of construction to curtail building of so-called row-block houses in the future was also suggested.

Following the panel discussion, Mrs. Richard Houck played three piano solos. They were "In the Evening" (Schumann); "Allegro," from Beethoven's Sonata in F Major; and "Soaring" (Schumann).

Mrs. Samuel R. Knouse, program chairman, introduced Mrs. Houck.

The panel was introduced by Mrs. William H. Engel, a member of the program committee. Mrs. I. Ralph March, president, presided.

New members taken into the club were Mrs. James Bashore, Mrs. Robert Wren and Mrs. Allen Krey.

Coming events on the club calendar include a valentine card party at Boyer Towne inn on Feb. 4, at 8 p. m.; a meeting of the literature division at the home of Mrs. D. B. Boyer on Jan. 27, at which time Mrs. Marcia Krysa, of the high school library will be the speaker; and a meeting of the welfare division on Feb. 3 at the home of Mrs. Earl H. Walt, 418 East Fourth street.

MEETINGS

Annual congregational meeting of Good Shepherd Reformed church tonight at 6:30 o'clock in the church.

100th anniversary meeting, Improved Order of Red Men, in Keystone Fire hall tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

Boyertown Civil Air Patrol in the high school tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

High School Parent-Teacher association tonight at 8 o'clock in the high school library.

Boyertown board of health tonight at 9 o'clock at the home of the secretary, R. Vincent Clarke, 32 South Reading avenue.

High School Notes

Forty-one vocational agriculture students from the high school will attend the state farm show in Harrisburg today.

William Klemm, a junior in the school, is already there, since he is a member of the State Future Farmers band.

Three boys — Lewis A. Miller, Robert G. Seip and Herbert S. Weiss — will receive the Keystone Future Farmer degree tomorrow at ceremonies at the show.

The entire vocational agriculture department was scheduled to leave this morning at 7 o'clock by chartered bus from the school. The group plans to arrive back in Boyertown tonight at 6:30 o'clock.

The following are making the trip: Seniors — Anthony Albrecht, Donald Dettmer, Harold Knepp, Fred Litcher, William Levensgood, William Matz, Earl Mensch, Lewis Miller, Melvin Miller, Paul Moatz, Earl Mutter, Eugene Reidenauer, Marvin Rothenberger, Jack Schenck, Robert Seip, Willard Standhagen, Robert Weissinger and Henry Zajac.

Also juniors — Donald Herman, Henry Johnson, Rodman Leister, Ernest Long, Thomas Reigh, Donald Spohn, Clarence Standhardt, and Klemm; and sophomores — William Bower, Bruce Brumbaugh, Sherwood Delcamp, Kenneth Ellis, Earl Gilbert, Richard Hagenbuch, Carl Hiryak, Henry Hoffman, Robert Hoffman, Earl Laushaw, Martin Melcher, Edwin Miller, Kenneth Schollenberger, James Willman and Harold Yoder.

Good Shepherd Church Lists Annual Meeting

The annual congregational meeting of Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed, will be held tonight at 6:30 p. m., with a covered dish luncheon preceding the business session.

Reports of church organizations will be presented and officers will be elected. The consistory has made the following nominations: elders — Newton V. Johnson, Samuel C. Houck and William Reifsnnyder; deacons — Jesse Mercer, Ernest Reifsnnyder, Wellington Oberholzer, Lester Berkly and William Garner; and trustee — Ralph Landis.

The average person tends to overestimate the weight of dark colored objects and underestimate the weight of light colored objects.

Boyertown Classified

Deaths

HOFFMAN — Of Pottstown, on Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1948, Jesse P. Hoffman, aged 40 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, on Thursday at 2 p. m. Interment in Union cemetery. Boyertown friends may call Friday evening 7 to 9 (Schwenk).

PIERCE — Near Yellow House, on Sunday, Jan. 11, 1948, Willard A. husband of Charlotte B. (Gulian) Pierce, aged 38 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, on Thursday at 2 p. m. Interment in Old cemetery, Spangville. Friends may call Wednesday evening 7 to 9 (Schwenk).

EDDINGER — In Boyertown, on Saturday, Jan. 10, 1948, Leona (Savary) wife of Leon E. Eddinger, aged 42 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, Pa., on Wednesday at 1:30 p. m. Further services in St. John's Lutheran Church, Interment in Hill Church cemetery. Friends may call Tuesday evening 7 to 9 (Schwenk).

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Man Escapes Injury as Car Upsets; Wet Snow Brings Traffic Pace Down

A wet snow which blanketed Boyertown yesterday turned to slush during the day, slowing traffic in the borough to a snail's pace and causing strong men to repeat the now-classic phrase, "My aching back," as they shoveled the wet snowfall from sidewalks.

No accidents were reported by police in the borough. A Bechtelsville man, however, narrowly escaped serious injury when the car in which he was riding skidded off the road about 100 yards west of the Earlville hotel, struck an embankment and turned over on its left side.

He was Willard Eshbach, who crawled unhurt from the overturned vehicle. He was driving toward Reading when the accident occurred. About 30 boys from the Boyertown chapter, Future Farmers of America, returning from the farm show in Harrisburg, stopped when they saw the overturned car. Donald Herman, a member, turned off the ignition and averted a possible fire, since gasoline was spilling from the car's tank.

Radio and lights were still turned on. The boys, under the supervision of Ralph S. DeTuck, teacher, lifted the vehicle from the center of the highway and pushed it to the side of the road.

William Yousse, driver of the bus in which the boys were riding, also assisted. The entire left side of Eshbach's car was damaged, including body, door, fender and wheels. Damage was estimated at about \$200.

Despite the snow, schools in the borough operated on schedule. Buses, however, carrying rural youngsters to the high school were generally late. The New Hanover township bus remained at the school all day, rather than risk a trip back over the slippery roads.

Borough streets were slushy but sidewalks generally were quickly cleared of the snow.

Directors Re-elected By National Bank

In an election in which a vote of almost 26 percent was recorded, all members of the board of directors of the National Bank of Boyertown were re-elected yesterday at a meeting of the shareholders in the bank.

Out of 25,000 outstanding shares, votes were cast by shareholders holding 21,458 shares. Re-elected were the following, listed in order of their length of service on the board: Harvey G. Grofe, Albert B. Leidy, Frank B. Gabriel, Dr. Charles L. Dries, Daniel B. Boyer, E. Lawrence Mory, Joseph S. Quigley, William H. Reifsnnyder Jr., Herbert B. Wagner and Sheldon W. Funk.

Election officials, all shareholders, were Murray A. Crull, Harry A. Trout and Newton B. Erb. The annual reorganization meeting is scheduled for this morning in the bank.

Capital stock of the bank is \$250,000; surplus and undivided profits, \$649,460.62; deposits total \$7,462,849.87; total of \$8,399,454.31. Trust fund total is \$472,371.75.

H. E. Oaks Is Granted Estate Administration

By Staff Correspondent

NORRISTOWN, Jan. 13 — The Registrar of Wills' office today granted a letter of administration to Harvey E. Oaks Jr., Pottstown, Pa., in the \$153 estate of his father, Harvey E. Oaks, West Pottsgrove, who died Dec. 30.

BURNS PROVE FATAL

COATESVILLE, Jan. 13 (AP) — Burns suffered in a kitchen fire proved fatal to Mrs. Eva Cole, 78, today in Coatesville hospital. She was burned yesterday when flames enveloped her after she lighted kerosene-soaked wood and paper in a stove.

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DEATHS—FUNERALS

Word was received in Boyertown of the recent death of MRS. IDA ORTLIP, 81, in UNION CITY, IND. She died at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Harrison, Union City. She was a sister of Aaron K. LeFevre, 129 East Philadelphia avenue. Her husband conducted a furniture business at the corner of East Philadelphia avenue and Franklin street many years ago.

In addition to Mrs. Harrison and LeFevre, she is survived by her husband, Romanus Ortlip; one son, Ralph, Union City, Ind.; and a daughter, Mrs. Mary Ortlip, who was buried the past Saturday in a Union City cemetery.

STRIKERS CALLED 'UNFAIR'

CHICAGO, Jan. 13 (AP) — The National Labor Relations board today issued a charge of unfair labor practices against the AFL Chicago typographical union whose members have been on strike against six big Chicago daily newspapers since Nov. 24.

Until the American Civil War, navies of the world were built of wood.

School Pupils Purchase \$64.35 in U. S. Bonds

A total of \$64.35 in United States Savings bonds was purchased by Boyertown High school students yesterday.

Tenth grade pupils in the home-room of Winifred Y. Moyer topped the list with \$27.00. Ninth graders in the home-room of Mrs. Josephine B. Bierly, usually in the number one spot, had to be satisfied with second place with purchases totaling \$19.40.

PIANO RECITAL

Mrs. Richard Houck will play three solo piano numbers tonight at the Philadelphia Conservatory of Music in a recital by students of the school. She will play "In the Evening" (Schumann); "Allegro," from Beethoven's Sonata in F Major; and "Soaring" (Schumann).

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After the seating of officers, conducted by Drumheller, the meeting was occupied with routine business, except for the announcement that the company would sponsor a free community show of auto racing and comedy films Jan. 29 at 8 p. m. in the fire house.

The other officers installed were George W. Robinson, vice president; Ross Beacraft, recording secretary; Stanley Prizer, financial secretary; Carl Danmire, treasurer; Donald Beacraft, Wilmer Knight and Stuart Meloy, trustees.

Also Charles Bandy, chief; Drumheller and Chester Gerhart, assistant chiefs; Frank R. Keim, Robinson, Edward Scheffey, Ross Beacraft and Carl Troutman, assistant directors; George Moore, chief engineer; Robert Meloy, Troutman and William Bergey Jr., auditors.

Also Charles A. Puhl, Keim, Robinson, Scheffey, Stuart Meloy, Prizer and Troutman, house committee, and Scheffey, janitor.

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Importance of Reading Ability Stressed By Guest Speaker at PTA Dinner Meeting

"The Bible is translated into 1000 languages, but only scholars can read it," said the Rev. John Maurice Hohlfield, of Trappe, last night at a dinner meeting of the Pottstown Junior High School PTA.

He continued with the statement: "Literacy is one of the great losses of the world today as 90 percent of the world's people cannot read. Think of the billions with silent tongues the people who cannot voice their opinion because they cannot read."

The Rev. Hohlfield is a lecturer at Ursinus college, Collegeville, as well as a minister of the gospel.

Guests attending the affair numbered 110, including parents, teachers and speakers. Those seated at the guest table were Mr. Vernon Dessenberger, principal of the Pottstown Junior High School; Mrs. Eugene Smith, president of Southeastern District council; Mrs. Edwin Yarnall, past state president of the PTA; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Seidel and the guest speaker, the Rev. Hohlfield.

Mr. Harry Sowers was master of ceremonies and introduced Mrs. Frank Wilmeyer, president of City Council PTA. Father's Night also was observed. Mr. Sowers acted as president while Mr. Henry VanDyke was treasurer.

The table was decorated under the supervision of Miss Elizabeth C. Yerger, and the ski motif was used. Tiny dolls dressed in ski suits with the accessories, cotton snow, and wax snowmen comprised the centerpiece.

Entertainment was provided by pupils of the school band, under the direction of Miss Paula Knauer, music supervisor at the Junior High school. Songs were given by Hazel Jacobs, clarinet; James John, trombone; and Howard Bowden, trumpet.

Group singing was led by Mrs. Paul Duttonhofer, Mrs. Bert Shaw and Mrs. Lewis Shoemaker.

The committee in charge of arrangements was Mrs. Carl Keller, president; Mrs. Harry Sowers, Mrs. Edward Minter, Mrs. George Smale, Mrs. Stanley Skean, Mrs. Robert Frederick, Mrs. Ernest Hunter, Mrs. Raymond Smale, Mrs. William Roth, Mrs. William Hoar, Mrs. William Prince, Mrs. Henry Fritz and Mrs. Leon Harbold.

Dolly Wetzel Feted On Birthday Anniversary

Miss Dolly Wetzel was recently feted at a party given by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wetzel, in honor of her 21st birthday anniversary, at their home in Eschbach.

The celebrant received many lovely gifts.

A luncheon was served to John Mott, Mr. and Mrs. William Posnocht Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Leon Kelsch and family, Mrs. Hattie Miller, Mrs. Mary Elst, Marie Elst, Pauline Elst, Mary Shaeffer, John Rothermel, Mrs. Mabel Shaeffer, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wetzel and daughter Josephine, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith, Carl Smith, Ellen Gerhart, Betty Miller, Barry Lee Miller, Alma Himmelwright and Jake Moyer.

Other scouts present were Margaret Neuman, Joyce Sionaker, Claudette Welsh, Dorothy Hartman, Suzanne McMerkel, Mary Welsh, Judith Senus, Geraldine Smith, Dolores Knoll, Carol Einsied, Alice Kammerzell, Nancy Windner, Gertrude Reese, Betty Shaw, Joan Snellenberger and Sherry Jean Mounian.

Girl Scouts of Troop 6 Plan to Make Bracelets

Bracelets were made and a stencil was used on table cloths and dish towels last night at a meeting of Girl Scout Troop 6 in the First Methodist church.

Following a short business meeting, the scouts sang songs.

Leaders present were Miss Alberta Waddell, Mrs. Dorothy Kehl, Mrs. Ruth Cressman, Mrs. Harry Schellenberger and Mrs. Henry T. Schneider.

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Mrs. Sadie Walters Installed as Head Of Lady Owls Lodge

Mrs. Sadie Walters was installed as president of the Lady Owls lodge last night at a meeting in the IO of A building. The installing was done by Mrs. Ella McClafferty, a past president and Mrs. Leah Patterson, a former warden.

Other officers installed were Mrs. Bertha Mort, vice president; Mrs. Ruth Ulrich, invocator; Mrs. Maude Williams, warden; Miss Kathryn DeWalt, financial secretary; Mrs. Jessie Clouser, treasurer; Mrs. Mary Bell, recording secretary; Mrs. Ada Beekley, sentinel, and Mrs. Ann Cronin, picket.

Also Mrs. Mabel Malsberger, pianist, and Mrs. Katie Amole, Mrs. Anna Dettra and Mrs. Emma Hertzog, trustees.

The pig-in-the-box was won by Mrs. Malsberger, the gift being donated by Miss DeWalt. Mrs. Patterson won the special prize and Mrs. Beekley donated it.

Following the installation the members enjoyed a chicken supper. The arrangements for the supper were under the direction of Mrs. Mort.

The next meeting will be held on Jan. 27 at the IO of A building.

Social Calendar

Lady Wilmeyer lodge—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the Odd Fellows Hall.

Lady Reindeer lodge—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the IO of A building. Officers will be installed. Members of the drill team were asked to be present. All officers were asked to wear white.

Mothers' class of Emmanuel Lutheran—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the church.

Century club card party—Will be postponed today until next Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock because of the inclement weather.

Young Women of Grace—Meeting tonight at 8:15 in the parsonage, 840 North Charlotte street. Mrs. Asa S. Wohlsten will be hostess.

Book Review club of Pottstown Women's club—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Joseph Bowen, 391 Spruce street. Mrs. Earl Graves will review.

Senior Missionary society of Transfiguration Lutheran church—Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the church. Miss Florence Newlin will be in charge of the program.

Girl Scout Troop 20—Meeting tonight at the Sanatoga Grange hall.

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WOMAN'S PAGE CLUB NEWS

Jefferson PTA Executive Board To Reward Children

Jefferson schoolrooms of Miss Mary Luchtmeyer, grade three, and Miss Roch Land, grade five, presented the membership awards given by the PTA of the school.

This was announced recently at a meeting of the Jefferson PTA executive board at the home of Mrs. Lexus Frier, 318 Oak street.

Mrs. Marie Montague, president, presided at the meeting.

As a reward, the children will have their annual trip to the zoo tomorrow.

Mrs. Donald Sands, program chairman, announced that the next PTA meeting would be held on Jan. 20.

The group voted to defray the expenses on a movie for the children called "Johnny Grows-Up." The movie will be shown in the activity room. The school nurse will receive a donation from the members for items to be given to children for use relative to hygiene.

Other members present were Mrs. Betty Sands, Mrs. Twila Swatlow, Mrs. Florence Christman, Mrs. Helen Bleim, Mrs. Marion Umstead, Mrs. Dorothy Frier, Mrs. Gladys Griffiths and Miss Doris Boyer.

Trinity Mothers' Club To Buy Ping Pong Table

Plans to buy a ping pong table for the young people of the church were completed last night at a meeting of the Mothers' club of the Trinity Reformed church in the home of Mrs. William Hartenstein, 28 West Fifth street.

Mrs. Chester Schwab, president, presided at the business meeting.

The entertainment for the night consisted of a "White Elephant" auction. Mrs. Eli Schaeffer was auctioneer.

A Valentine social will be held on Feb. 10 at the home of Mrs. Richard Gingrich, 51 Chestnut street.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. George Amole, Mrs. Donald Bechtel, Mrs. Edwin Kurtz, Mrs. James March Sr., Mrs. Milton Miller and Mrs. Schwab, hostesses.

Malcom A. Sussel To Wed German Girl

The engagement of T Sgt. Malcom A. Sussel, of Troop B, 94th Constabulary, stationed in Weiden, Germany, to Miss Siri Von Baumback, formerly of Berlin and Meck-

lenberg, was reported recently by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar N. Sussel, 215 High street.

Miss Von Baumback is stationed in Weiden, working with the constabulary forces as a secretary-interpreter.

No date has been set for the wedding.

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South Coventry PTA To Hold Annual Show

The South Coventry PTA will hold its fourth annual annual show Thursday night at 8:15 at the Warwick High school.

Mrs. Florence Manthorne is in charge of the program. Between acts of the show readings and vocal selections will be heard.

Mr. Paul Hoffman will be the accompanist.

Reading Pediatrician To Address PTA In Rupert Building

Dr. Gordon Kagen, a Reading pediatrician, will be the guest speaker tomorrow night at 8 o'clock at a meeting of the Rupert PTA in the school building.

This was announced at a recent Rupert PTA executive board meeting at the home of Mrs. William Prince, 1309 Queen street. Mrs. Harold Roha, president, presided over the meeting.

Plans to hold a card party were also discussed.

Other members present were Mrs. Joseph Hunsicker, Mrs. Jonathan Smover, Mrs. Erel Brown, Mrs. Betty Brunz, Mrs. Mary Hippie, Mrs. Sidney S. Pollock, Mrs. Albert Gould, Mrs. Ben Shaw and Mrs. Walter Weidenhold.

Mrs. Robert Smith acted as co-hostess.

Central PTA Meeting To Be Held Tomorrow

The Central PTA meeting was not held last night, as erroneously reported yesterday in the social calendar of The Mercury. The meeting will be held tomorrow night in the Washington building.

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Transfiguration Women Hold Supper in Church

A cover dish supper was enjoyed Monday night by members of the Young Ladies' Bible class of Transfiguration Lutheran Sunday school when they met in the Sunday school room.

After the supper, a business meeting was held.

Members present were Mrs. Mabel Kjellman, Mrs. Henry Maches, Mrs. Frederick Erb, Miss Helen Bell, Mrs. Ralph Smale, Mrs. Theodore Fischer, Mrs. Elsie Cross, Mrs. Luther Rife, Mrs. Elizabeth Marquette, Mrs. George Trout, Mrs. Herman Hunter, Mrs. William Fetterolf, Mrs. May

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Application for marriage licenses were made at the Montgomery county courthouse, Norristown, by: Oliver H. Reid, 434 Walnut street, and Josephine M. Ewing, Pottstown RD 2.

John Wallagh, Glen Moore RD 1, and Joan E. Keim, 123 Chestnut street.

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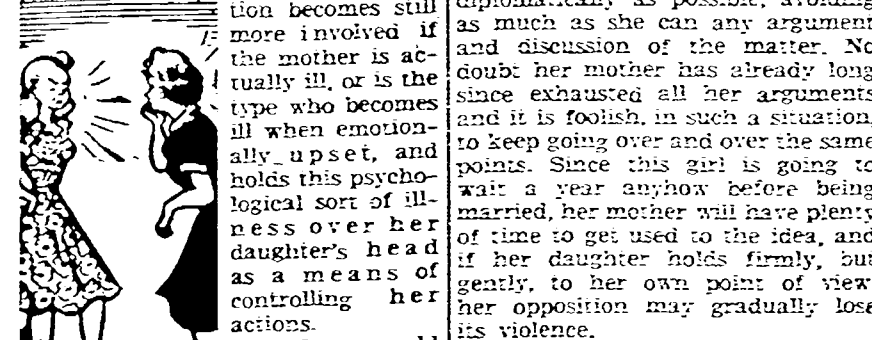
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BEATRICE FAIRFAX'S

Advice to the Lovelorn

Go Slow, But Stand by Your Guns

ANY daughter who loves her mother and has been brought up to respect her is in a sad position indeed when that mother opposes her choice of a husband.



Such a situation becomes still more involved if the mother is actually ill, or is the type who becomes ill when emotionally upset, and holds this psychological sort of illness over her daughter's head as a means of controlling her actions.

A 19-year-old girl, who has been going with a boy two years older, for four years, finds herself in this difficult position and has considered breaking off with her young man because her mother so bitterly opposes her marriage to him.

The mother's reason is that all-too-familiar one of racial and religious prejudice. The boy in whom her daughter is interested is of a different faith and different nationality, and apparently for this reason alone the mother wants her to say goodbye to him for good.

"J. C." who signs the letter telling me of her dilemma, says she broke off with her fiancé once, but that they have come together again and would like to get married next year. However, she is ready to call the whole thing off again because of her mother's objections. If it is best for her to put this young man out of her life, she says, she thinks it better to do so now and be done with it, since it would only become harder to do as time goes on.

"I hate to talk to my mother about it any more," she writes, "because she is a sick woman and I am so afraid something will happen to her, and my sisters would always blame me for upsetting her."

I don't believe this girl should break off with this boy solely because of her mother's opposition. There are, of course, many reasons why a marriage between people of different faiths and nationalities may have more adjustments to make than if the two people concerned had similar backgrounds, and that is something this girl should consider very carefully, as I hope she has done already. But there is nothing in the letter to suggest that these adjustments are at the bottom of her mother's protests, which appear to arise purely from blind intolerance.

What I think this girl should do, if she is completely convinced that she and this young man will be

Final Check Made Of Yule Donations By Welfare Society

An audit of Christmas cheer taken last night at a meeting of the Family Welfare society revealed that \$183.05 in cash, 122 boxes of groceries, a Christmas tree, 200 pounds of potatoes, a crate of tangerines and a box of toys were listed on the credit side.

All items donated were distributed at Christmas in addition to provisions, toys, clothing and household wares bought with cash contributions and a chunk of the treasury reserve. There was no debit side to the ledger.

All goods went to 53 families the society carries regularly on its rolls.

The breakdown went as follows: food orders to 22 families; grocery orders from clubs and organizations to seven families; toys and clothing to 58 children; blankets and household items to 22 childless families, and nine blankets and 115 pieces of clothing distributed.

Martha B. Shoemaker, executive secretary, noted in her report that the season's Christmas Seal sale did not measure up to the previous year's by a \$142 margin. The total was \$241.47. Some promises have not been paid up yet, however, she said.

Joseph Galligan, president, conducted the meeting.

During and immediately after the U. S. Revolutionary War France made four loans to the United States, Holland four and Spain one.

Paul Russell Heads Fire Relief Group

Paul Russell, of the Empire Hook and Ladder company, was elected president of the Pottstown Firemen's Relief association at a meeting last night at the fire house of the Empire Hook and Ladder company. He succeeds Charles M. Jones, of the Good Will company, as head of the organization which was formed in 1900.

Other officers were named as follows: William R. L. Pirth Jr., of the Philadelphia Steam Fire Engine company, vice president; Norman K. Bittig, Philadelphia company, secretary; and Daniel S. Rath, Good Will Fire company, treasurer.

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Boyertown Quintet Drops 38-22 Decision to Mt. Penn

The Bears played on even terms with Mr. Penn in the first and fourth quarters, but the visitors did

DOWN HAYERFORD IN FIRST MATCH

they were crowned champions of their way during the third frame, tabling 11 points while Boyertown collected five. After three full quarters, Mt. Penned, 20-11. Boyertown held the victors to eight points in the final eight minutes.

Joe Herzog and Tom Folk were the winners in the 125-pound class as they trounced Harford college's junior varsity team, 33-2. It was the 13th straight wrestling victory for the Blue and Grey. The meet was held in the Gilson Memorial gymnasium.

Harford was held scoreless

one big offense men for Mt. Penn. Hertzog tabbed 13 points via six field goals and one foul while Folk collected 10 markers on four charity tosses and a pair of goals from the field.

For Boyertown, Jake Hardline was the outstanding player. The little sophomore forward managed to tab a pair of field goals and three fouls against the Mt. Penn aggregation for a seven-point total.

Boyertown Mt. Penn

until the final match — as the heavyweight class. Jim Fleming, Haverford, battled Doc Roe to a draw giving Haverford's its only two points of the match.

It was the clean sweep for The Hill fighters, winning four matches by p.m., two by decisions and one by forfeit.

Bruce Mowery, Earl Page, Bronson Rumsen, and Hud Sampson punned their opponents for easy victories. Summary:

Hallman, J.	1	0	0	Butler, E.	1	0	2
H. Pothorn, J.	2	1	0	3	Francis, W.	1	0
Marline, C.	1	0	0	7	Herrington, C.	1	0
Mozak, C.	0	0	0	0	Armad, J.	0	0
Johnson, C.	0	0	0	3	Wetzel, R.	0	0
Johnson, J.	0	0	0	0	2	2	2
Albrecht, J.	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Smith, G.	0	0	0	0	0	2	4
Johnson, J.	1	0	0	3	Polak, C.	3	1
Neman, J.	0	0	0	0			
Levensgood, G.	2	2	0	0			

Totals	6	10	22	Totals	15	10	23
Boys' team				9	3	5	17
Boys' team				9	10	11	30

Trojan Swimmers
Lose League Meet
To Norrisville

155-pound class—Rumsey, H., pinned Hollingshead, Hav. 1:42 of second period and 1:16 of third period.

175-pound class—Sampson, H., pinned Harper, Hav. 1:48 of first period.

Heavyweight class—Roe, H. and Fleming, Hav., wrestled to a draw, 1-1.

Final Score: The Hill school 33, Haverford 2.

TO NORTHSTOWN YOC

A strong Northstown High swimming team capped five of eight events in the Pottstown YMCA pool yesterday to hand Coach Clarence Yocom's Trojans their third straight setback, 43-23.

The Trojans managed to salvage three firsts, two seconds and two thirds in the second and fourth heats of the 100-yard Suburban meet at the pool.

The firsts came in the 40-yard free style, 100-yard back stroke

and the 100-yard free style events.

Of the three events won by the Trojans, Tom Allen was the winner in two. The former Trojan diver took the 40-yard and 100-yard free style races for the locals.


in the second half with six points in each the third and fourth periods to clinch the decision. Earl Hall led the winners with six points.

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40 yard free style—won by Allen. P. Time—2:03 seconds.									
100 yard breast stroke—won by Gooden. N. Time—1:42 seconds.									
200 yard breast stroke—won by Gooden. N. Time—3:40 seconds.									
400 yard breast stroke—won by Gooden. N. Time—7:15 seconds.									
800 yard breast stroke—won by Gooden. N. Time—14:30 seconds.									
1600 yard breast stroke—won by Gooden. N. Time—29:00 seconds.									
3200 yard breast stroke—won by Gooden. N. Time—57:00 seconds.									
6400 yard breast stroke—won by Gooden. N. Time—1:10:00 seconds.									
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 100 yard diving—won by Ames, N. second, Dallas, P. third, Gleason, N. second.
 180-yard madley relay—won by Norris, Jagers, Cooper, Love, second, Potstowman. (Heggs, McBride, Neuschwander). Time—1 minute, 51.3 seconds.
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School Is Damaged By Fire in York

YORK, Jan. 13 (AP)—A blaze which firemen said may have been incendiary swept through the basement of the Garfield public school today and forced closing of the 32-year-old school.

The flames did not reach the upper floors but smoke and water damage was such that Superintendent A. W. Ferguson ordered classes for the 148 pupils suspended until the safety of the building could be determined.

Fire Chief L. Ellis Wagner said that the school janitor, Charles G. Knout, discovered a glass panel of the main door of the building was smashed when he reported for work about 5:15 a. m. and that he found several classrooms had been ransacked.

Local Boy Scout Troops Plan Exhibits To Be Shown at Merit Badge Show

Boy Scout troops in the Pottstown area were hard at work during Monday night's meetings, preparing a wide variety of projects for the merit badge show to be staged Feb. 14 and 15 in the Armory.

The show will highlight Pottstown's celebration of Boy Scout week.

Troop 6, meeting in Trinity Reformed church, voted unanimously to file an application for a booth, following a talk on the merit badge show by J. Russell Geiger, district commissioner.

George McCormick and Alvin Hinkel, junior assistant scoutmaster, were appointed by Scoutmaster Warren Hoover to choose a likely-looking spot for the troop to visit Sunday, in search of wood and other items to be used in building the model exhibits which the troop will display at the show if their application is granted.

After the meeting the nine scouts and Troop Committee Chairman George Meyer adjourned for a session of games, especially ping-pong.

Assistant scout leaders John Blackwell and Albert Erb addressed nine members of Troop 15 in Grace Lutheran church on firemanship, the second in a series of discussions.

20 Scouts were on hand to witness the investiture of six tenderfoot scouts, in ceremonies conducted by Scoutmaster John Reese.

The up-and-coming troop sponsored by the Orioles also held a session on requirements for the safety merit badge, followed by a game of cards.

Two patrol leaders and two assistants were elected by 10 members of troop 7 at their gathering in Searles Memorial Methodist church. Stanley Chaplin will be assisted by Lane Hensley and Howard Rexheider by John Dilks.

The names of the patrols will be chosen later.

Good news arrived on the camping front as it was reported that the long-awaited troop finally arrived at the troop cabin, one mile east of Harmonyville.

To celebrate the event, the troop voted to hold a camping trip there, getting Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock and coming Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

It also was reported that the troop's bridge, part of its elaborate exhibit for the merit badge show, is nearly completed. During part of the meeting, half of the troop added a few more cedar limbs to the bridge, which will be exhibited along with a lean-to.

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Criminal Court Cases Hiked 10 Percent In Montgomery County During 1947

By Staff Correspondent

NORRISTOWN, Jan. 13 — The number of cases in the Montgomery County Criminal court showed an increase of approximately 10 percent during 1947 over the previous year, a summary by Clerk of Courts Louis V. Dorp revealed today.

Dorp reported there were 880 cases listed during 1947 as compared to 822 in 1946.

More than half of the cases during both years involved non-support actions and motor vehicle infractions. Non-support cases in 1947 numbered 274, drunken drivers accusations, 218, and other motor vehicle code violations, 89.

A break down of the offenses during the past year showed:

Murder cases, 2, both being listed as open.

Voluntary manslaughter, five, of which one was acquitted one entered a plea of guilty, two were found guilty and one is still open.

Rape, 19, of which 13 pleaded guilty, six were found guilty.

Aggravated assault and battery, 21, of which one was nolle prossed, five were acquitted, 12 pleaded guilty, six were found guilty and seven are open.

Minor assault, 41, of which nine were nolle prossed, four were acquitted, 16 pleaded guilty, five were found guilty and seven are still open.

Burglary, 54, of which two were nolle prossed, one was cleared by the court, seven were acquitted by juries, 33 entered pleas of guilty, four were found guilty by juries and six are open.

Larceny, 66, of which two were nolle prossed, four were acquitted by juries, 46 pleaded guilty, three were found guilty, and 11 are still open.

Embezzlement and fraud, 24, of which three were nolle prossed, nine pleaded guilty, and 12 are still open.

Receiving stolen goods, five, of which one was acquitted, two pleaded guilty and two were found guilty.

Forgery, six, of which four were found guilty and two are still open.

Rape, 13, of which three were acquitted, four pleaded guilty, three were found guilty, and three are still open.

Commercial vice, one still open.

Other sex offenses, 58, of which three were acquitted, 32 were pleas of guilty, 12 were found guilty, and 11 are open.

Deadly weapons, 25, of which three were nolle prossed, one was acquitted, 18 pleaded guilty, two were found guilty, and one is still open.

Non-support, 274, of which 18 were nolle prossed, two were cleared, 216 entered pleas of guilty, and 38 are open.

Liquor laws, one pleaded guilty. Drunken driving, 218, of which three were acquitted by juries, 178 pleaded guilty, nine were found guilty and 28 are open.

Other motor vehicle violations, 89, of which four were nolle prossed, five were acquitted by the court, two acquitted by juries, 66 pleaded guilty, two were found guilty by the court and 10 remained open.

Disorderly conduct, three of which one was found guilty and two remained open.

Gambling, 20, of which 14 pleaded guilty, four were found guilty by juries and two remained open.

Arson, one, pleaded guilty. Jail break, five, pleaded guilty. Surety of peace, eight, of which one was found not guilty or the court, five pleaded guilty and two remained open.

Obstruction of justice, four, of which one was acquitted by a jury and three pleaded guilty.

Accessory before and after the fact, one, found not guilty by the court.

Violation of zoning ordinances, two found guilty by the courts.

Scranton Pastor Listed Speaker at Pre-Lenten Service

Dr. Peter K. Emmons, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church, Scranton, will be the preacher at the annual union Pre-Lenten service in Trinity Reformed church, on Tuesday night, Feb. 3. It was announced Monday night after a meeting of laymen from the five Reformed churches which will participate.

Dr. Emmons is a co-president of the American Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

The five churches, besides Trinity, are St. Paul's, Pottstown, St. Paul's, Stowe, Zion's, and St. John's.

Consistory members from the five churches will meet in the Cloverleaf restaurant Jan. 29 for the annual dinner. The Rev. Harry Kehm, pastor of Grace Reformed church, Apertown, will speak.

These representatives of the churches are arranging the two services: Khris M. Oyer and Edwin M. Kurz, Trinity; Samuel M. Wanner and Henry R. Rawn, St. John's; Harold Scheffey and Arthur Rhoads, Zion's; Clinton Fry and Edward Hembach, St. Paul's, Pottstown, and John Atkinson and Roy Geyer, St. Paul's, Stowe.

Song Books Given To Bethel Church

The Federation of Men's Bible classes, meeting last in Bethel AME church, bestowed 100 old popular song books upon the church as it voted to buy 150 new books.

The Rev. Daniel E. Owens, pastor, acknowledged his parish's gratitude for the gift.

Despite sloppy weather underfoot 93 members from 17 churches attended the meeting.

The Rev. Owens figured in the program by reading the scripture. The Rev. Kenneth B. Anderson, pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran church, Stowe, delivered the invocation and the Rev. Donald T. Floyd, pastor of Trinity Evangelical Congregational church, led the closing prayer.

Trinity E. C. will be host at the next meeting Feb. 10.

William C. Carden, YMCA Extension director, spoke briefly on the need of fellowship in daily life. Mrs. Minnie Sutton and Mrs. Owens, the pastor's wife, sang a duet. The song service was led by Russell Cannell.

Charles Rohland, president, directed the business session.

Obituaries

Funeral services for **CHARLES V. WALTER**, of 204 OAK STREET, son of Mary (Dampman) Walters and the late Herman Walters, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 404 High street.

Officiating was the Rev. Howard A. Kosman, pastor of Zion's Reformed church. Interment was made in Pottstown West End cemetery.

Bearers were George Mayer, Douglas Van Horn, Elwell Mayer, Charles Fries, Alfred Gephart and J. B. Sesson.

Funeral services for **WILLIAM H. HINE**, husband of Sarah M. (Bower) Hine, of 1149 QUEEN STREET, will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 404 High street.

Interment will be made in St. Paul's cemetery, Amityville.

Funeral services for **ESTELLA (HOLLOWELL) WELLS**, of 1011 HIGH STREET, widow of Lyman J. Wells, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 12:30 o'clock. Officiating will be the Rev. Deane E. Story, pastor of the First Baptist church. Interment will be made in Mt. Zion cemetery.

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Their Record Stretches Every Week



Marking what is considered to be a record, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hane and their children, George, David, Alice and John, 345 Chestnut street, are celebrating their sixth year of perfect attendance at Christ Episcopal Church Sunday school. All six members of the family have earned perfect attendance pins under the Cross and Crown system.

John E. Hane Family Sets Sunday Aside For Church 6 Years

What is believed to be a record for perfect Sunday school attendance by any one family in the Pottstown area has been set by Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hane, 345 Chestnut street, and their four children.

The Hane family has attended the Christ Episcopal church Sunday school in a body every Sunday for the past six years. With each service averaging approximately one hour in length, they have spent a combined total of 1872 hours receiving religious instruction.

Hane, who is secretary-treasurer of the Sunday school, is a native of Pottstown. He is married to the former Emma Auman, Boyertown, Pa. The couple has four children, George, David, Alice and John.

Yesterday Hane, speaking of his family's perfect record, said simply:

"I try to bring up my children in the best way possible, and this seems to be it. Hane or shine, we always get there."

Contract Provisions Explained to Union

Provisions of the contract between the Jacobs Aircraft Engine company and Local 3802, United Steel Workers (CIO), were explained at a meeting of the union held the past Monday night in the Singer building.

Paul Sabold, local president said that a gain of six paid holidays for the 45 persons covered by the contract, represented the only major change.

The agreement, signed the past Dec. 23 ran retroactively from Nov. 21, 1947 until Nov. 21, 1948.

Local 3802 meets the second Monday of the month.

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Marshall Program Aired by Students

The third in a series of six forum discussions bringing together pupils from six schools was held Monday afternoon in Spring City High school. The topic was the Marshall Plan.

Mary Ann Miller, of North Coventry High school, was one of the four speakers from three of the schools. She was one of a delegation of 12 Norco pupils to attend the debate.

The other three orators were William Topel, of Downingtown High school, and Marilyn Young and Betty Hicks, both of Phoenixville High school.

The remaining schools in the conference are Collegedale and Conshohocken.

About 60 heard the talks. The program is sponsored by the South-eastern Convention District of the Pennsylvania State Educational Association.

The Norco delegation was accompanied by Principal Paul H. Grim.

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Train Development Depicted in Film

Film taken by the Pennsylvania Railroad company, showing the development of trains, as well as other phases of the industry, were presented to 40 members of the Pottstown Lions club, meeting in the Elks home last night.

Titled, "Clear the Tracks," the film started with the laying of the first Pennsylvania line, from Harrisburg to Lewistown, in 1849, and ended with a discussion of the latest Diesel and electric streamliners.

The system of communications was explained, including radio-telephone connections between engines on their runs and signal towers; automatic signals, corresponding with those along the line, flashing inside the cab, and the railroad's experiments with radar.

Inside the repair shops, the pictures demonstrated the construction and maintenance of the great boilers and driving wheels of the locomotives.

President William H. Walker was in charge of the business meeting, while the film program that followed was substituted for a talk on civic affairs, planned by C. Edmund Wells.

Wells was unable to attend the meeting because of the sudden death of his mother the past Sunday night.

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Young Barlow Leaders Pursue Active Program

With the realistic motto of "Study or Fail," members of a students club at the Barlow school, Royersford, Pa., is setting a fast pace for young citizens in their community.

The club, called Young Barlow Leaders, has been one of the school's most active groups during the school year. Numbered among its accomplishments are a candy sale which netted \$13, packing of 140 baskets of fruit and sending of two bouquets of flowers to sick members and a donation of \$5 to the Nancy Ann Christmas Fund.

In addition, the club has met: six

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